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Survey Lists Authors U.S. Bans Abroad

NEW YORK, June 22 (AP)—Several hundred books by more than 40 authors have been removed from United States libraries overseas, a worldwide survey by the New York Times reported today.

Removal of the books was said to have been based on six confidential directives from the State Department since last February 19.

"No single specific instruction covered all the withdrawals," the Times said, after its check of United States libraries in 20 foreign capitals.

Among the better-known authors, whose books were removed in at least some libraries, these were listed:

Lillian Hellman, Clarence K. Streit, Langston Hughes, Walter Duranty, Dashiell Hammett, Howard Fast and Edgar Snow.

The Times said the survey showed that interpretations of the State Department instructions "varied from capital to capital on such works that were not specifically covered by word from Washington."

Many Burned in Tokyo

The Times said it found only one United States library, in Tokyo, that acknowledged "many" books and periodicals had been "burned or scrapped for pulping."

A State Department directive of May 25 told United States embassies not to burn withdrawn books, but to store them "pending further instructions," the Times added. It said [illegible] authors have been listed specifically by the State Department in its book-culling directives. These are:

James M. Cain (Jay Anscomb), Herbert Apthekar, Millen Brand, Earl Browder, Philip R. Feenan, Helen Goldfrank (Helen Lamy or Kolodny), William Gropper, Donald Henderson, [illegible] Howard, William Mac[illegible], [illegible] Lawrence Kubelinger, [illegible] Schappes, Bernhard J. [illegible] and Gene Weltfish. The [illegible]

[illegible] authors were not mentioned directly, "in many instances involved criticism of United States policy in the Far East," the Times said.

"In other cases, the banning was apparently based on the interpretation given by one or more of the directives by library officials in the individual capitals."

For instance, the Times noted that Whittaker Chambers' "Witness," the story by the man whose testimony sent former State Department official Alger Hiss to jail, was removed from Buenos Aires [illegible].

Other writers whose works the Times said were taken out of some libraries included: Duranty, Miss Hellman, Snow, Streit, Theodore H. White, Owen Lattimore, John Abt, Paul B. Anderson, Bert Andrews, Alan Barth, Thomas A. Bisson, Joseph R. Davies, Vera Michelis Dean, Foster Rhea Dulles, Stefan Heym, Anna Lee Jacoby, Corliss Lamont, Kenneth Scott Latourette, Richard R. Lauterbach, Charles A. Madison, Agnes Smedley, Walter White and Harold M. Vinacke.

Some Found Retained

The Times said library officials showed "varying degrees of reluctance to discuss the books that had prompted them. In one case or another, they said identifying the directives would be [illegible] purely internal. And in fact the final directive, received in some cases only last October, [illegible] the whole subject [illegible] American Libraries Association [illegible] directives [illegible]

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
New York 7, New York

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August 25, 1944

Director, FBI

RE: WEEKLY CONFERENCE OF
ONI, SID and FBI -
August 24, 1944

Dear Sir:

I am forwarding herewith to the Bureau and to the Albany, Buffalo, Newark, New Haven and Syracuse offices a mimeographed copy of the report of the weekly conference of ONI, SID and the FBI, held in New York City on August 24, 1944. (U)

The information furnished by ONI is being incorporated into the following files in this office: (U)

"Japanese Entering the Eastern Defense Command"

(b)(7)(C) [redacted]

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY
SAC

Encl.
cc - Albany - Encl.
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New Haven - Encl.
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New York 7, N.Y.
August 25, 1944

NEGRO TRENDS

An interesting editorial appeared in the "New York Age", in which the newspaper quoted Richard Wright, Negro author of "Native Son" and former Communist Party member. After commenting on his membership, which lasted from 1932 to 1940, Wright was quoted as saying that the Communist position on the Negro had undergone "a distinct and lamentable regression" in recent years. Wright was quoted as saying that he did not regard the Communists today as effective instruments for a social change and accused the Communists of being narrow-minded and intolerant. The editorial stated that it would be interesting to note the answer of the Communists to this harsh criticism by so prominent a former member. (u)

The International Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters will hold its fourth biennial convention in Cleveland, Ohio, on September 17 through 22. Delegates from ninety local divisions will attend. Problems that confront Negro workers in particular during the war and post-war period will be discussed. (u)

Langston Hughes, the famed Negro poet, has written lyrics for a campaign song for Reverend Adam Clayton Powell, Jr., candidate for Congress. The song is entitled, "Let My People Go". (u)

A group of Negroes wired all the state, county and national chairmen of the Democratic Party, demanding the appointment of a Negro to the present vacancy on the New York State Supreme Court bench in New York City. Among the Negroes were Ferdinand C. Smith, N.M.U.; Charles Collins, N.L.V.C.; Gwendolyn Bennett, C.P.A.; Paul Robeson; and Dr. Max Yergan of the National Negro Congress. (u)

"The Peoples Voice" of August 19 carried an article protesting the tactics of the "Black Squad" in the Harlem area. The article stated that the squad was composed of all Negro police officers out to make an efficiency record by rounding up youth gangs in Harlem. The article commented that many youths have been wrongfully arrested and that the squad is lacking a constructive approach to the problem of juvenile delinquency. (u)

Celebration of West Indian Emancipation Day will be held August 27 at the Abyssinian Baptist Church under the auspices of the West Indies National Council and Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. On the (u)

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program will be Benjamin Davis, Jr., C.P.A.; Thelma Dale, National Negro Congress; Amy Ashwood Garvey; and George W. Harris. Dr. Charles Petioni will be chairman. (u)

The delegation of C.I.O. leaders and members of the United Federal Workers of America met with Captain Kirk of the Brooklyn Naval Clothing Depot requesting a collective bargaining election. Captain Kirk advised the Navy Department policy would control the question, and it was announced that the request would be taken to the Navy Department in Washington, D.C. (u)

There were two reports of trouble between Negroes and whites during the past week. A group of white youths were charged with creating a disturbance in the Harlem section of Riverside Drive by ordering Negroes in that area to get back across Amsterdam Avenue into Harlem proper on August 14. No actual trouble occurred and no arrests were made. The second incident occurred at Prospect Park in Brooklyn when a gang of youths threw bottles at a group of Negroes who were in the park attending a concert on August 11. The police interfered in the ensuing altercation and escorted the Negroes from the Park. Two of the Negroes were injured but no arrests were made. (u)

-- New York, New York

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December 23, 1942

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: WEEKLY CONFERENCE OF
O.N.I., G-2 AND F.B.I.
December 18, 1942 (U)

Dear Sir:

I am forwarding herewith to the Bureau and to the Albany, Buffalo and New Haven offices a photostatic copy of the report of the weekly conference of O.N.I., G-2 and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, held in New York City on December 18, 1942. The Newark Field Division was previously furnished with a copy of the report on this matter. (U)

The information furnished by G-2 and O.N.I. concerning the following individuals and organizations is being incorporated into separate memoranda for the file relative to each: (U)

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NAZI SOCIETY
COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES
ITALIAN ACTIVITIES
FRENCH ACTIVITIES
FALANGIST ACTIVITIES

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The remaining names and individuals mentioned by O.N.I. and G-2 are being appropriately indexed for possible future reference purposes. (U)

Very truly yours,

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E. A. FOXWORTH
Assistant Director

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Enclosure
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cc - Buffalo - Enc.
cc - Newark
cc - New Haven - Enc.

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An appeal to YCL members is published in the December 15th issue of the "Daily Worker", the purpose of this appeal being to pep up the recruiting drive which is to be completed by December 19. YCL members are asked to do the following in connection with the drive:

(1) Ask your friend, shopmate, school chum, to whom you have sold a copy of "Victory and After", or "The Review", to join the YCL.

(2) Organize a Branch Treasure Hunt.

(3) Bring your contacts and friends to your Branch Meeting on December 18, at which time they will be requested to join the League.

The School for Democracy, 13 Astor Place, New York City, has issued its catalog for the Winter term - January to March of 1943. Among the courses offered are:

Life and Culture of the Negro People - by GWENDOLYN BENNETT, COUNTEE CULLEN, W. C. HENRY, and LANGSTON HUGHES.

Russia from the Czar to the Soviet - by VLADIMIR D. KAZANEVICH.

India and the Colonial World in the Global War - by KUMAR GOSHAL.

You and Your Union in the War - by GEORGE SAUNDER.

History of the American Labor Movement - by Dr. PHILIP S. FONER.

Unions and New Government Agencies - by GEORGE SAUNDER.

Labor Journalism - by [illegible] TAUB.

Public Speaking and Parliamentary Procedure - by ARTHUR [illegible] AY.

Modern Technology in Peace and War - by SIDNEY [illegible].

The Philosophy of Hegel and Marx - by Dr. [illegible] SELSAM.

Other courses are offered in Literature, Music, the Arts, Writing and Languages. Two courses are offered in Russian. These will be taught by Mr. MOSES [illegible]. A course is also being offered in Nursery School Teaching, by Dr. ROSEMARY [illegible].

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Protestants Score Bishop Oxnam

The New Jersey Council of Christian Churches strongly protested the selection of Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, Methodist, for the community Easter sunrise service, according to the *Atlantic City Press* of March 22. It pointed out that Bishop Oxnam is well known for "pro-Communistic tendencies and associations."

The Rev. John Janbaz, Presbyterian minister and vice president of the council, castigated the Bishop's coming as a "blot and stigma upon our civic and religious organizations as well as upon our city." A paid advertisement in the *Atlantic City Press* of March 20, signed by five Protestant ministers who are officers of the council, reproduced a report from the House Committee on Un-American Activities concerning Bishop Oxnam released Sept. 4, 1946. The report said that the Bishop "has a record of association with several groups which have been called Communist fronts." It then listed a number of his activities in detail. A brief recital of these follows:

He was a sponsor of the joint meeting held by the American League Against War and Fascism and the American Friends of the Chinese People. Earl Browder, former head of the Communist party in the United States, identified the first organization as a "transmission belt" of the Communist party.

Bishop Oxnam was a sponsor of the Medical Bureau and the North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy, cited as a Communist front by Congress. He was a sponsor of the National Council of American Soviet Friendship on numerous occasions and was honorary chairman of the Massachusetts group. This organization was cited as a Communist front by several investigative bodies.

He has been associated with the *Protestant Digest*, a magazine cited as a Communist front publication by Congress. One of its editors, Claud Williams, admitted carrying a Communist party membership card under the alias of John Caley.

Bishop Oxnam signed a letter on behalf of the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties, which called for the abolition of the Dies committee. The federation was cited as a Communist front by the U. S. Department of Justice. He was associated with a group set up to commemorate the second anniversary of Hitler's attack upon the Soviet Union. A speaker at a meeting for which he was chairman was B. Gebert, president of the Polish section of the International Workers' Order, directed by known Communists.

Bishop Oxnam also has been associated with several groups in which Langston Hughes held membership. Hughes wrote a poem, "Great Mob," advocating a workers' revolution in the U. S. In another poem he asks Jesus Christ to make room for some real guys whom he calls Marx, Engels, Lenin, and Stalin. The House report said, "Association in any organization with Hughes seems strange for a Bishop."

Bishop Oxnam is a founder of the "Protestants United" group that issued a "Protestant Manifesto" ostensibly desiring to assure a complete separation of Church and state in America. The manifesto contained a serious attack on the Catholic Church in the United States, particularly Catholic educational activities. Bishop Oxnam was one of those welcoming the recent Supreme Court decision ruling out released-time religious classes held on public school property in school hours.

Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

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Wallace Asks Strict Curbs On Trusts to Cut Prices

By John T. Norman

CAMDEN, N. J., Sept. 22—Henry A. Wallace Saturday night called for stringent curbs on monopolies as the only way to reduce prices, prevent depression and avoid a third world war. "We shall have high prices, depression scarcity and war as long as reactionary, monopolistic capitalism runs the United States," the former vice president said.

In a tour of New Jersey marking the anniversary of his resignation from the Truman cabinet, Wallace:

- Endorsed the independent candidacy of Dr. Frank Kingdon, national PCA co-chairman, for U. S. senator from New Jersey.
- Received endorsement of his domestic and foreign policies from world-famous scientist Albert Einstein.
- Called for inclusion of "Communists, Socialists, Democrats and Republicans" in a progressive coalition to defeat monopoly attacks on the American people's living standards.

DEFENDS COMMUNISTS

Wallace told an enthusiastic crowd of 4,000 in Camden's Convention Hall that "with few exceptions, the politicians are playing the game of monopoly capitalism."

At a Trenton press conference, Wallace was asked whether, in his opinion, the Communist Party is attempting to "overthrow the U. S. Government." The former Vice President smiled a long-drawn "no." Asked if he thinks the Communist Party is an "American" party, Wallace replied:

"I'm no expert on the Communist Party. But the Communists I've met have been very good Americans."

A SIGNIFICANT MOVE

His endorsement of Kingdon was seen as a significant move in the direction of a possible third party—or, as Kingdon put it — "second party" actions by PCA.

At the same time, Wallace repeated his desire to work with progressives within the Democratic Party to influence it toward FDR policies. The latter trend was emphasized in Wallace's Philadelphia meeting the night before, where the PCA leader was introduced to an overflow Convention Hall audience by Hiram Andrews, Democratic Party floor leader in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives.

Kingdon, whose name was placed in nomination at the Camden meeting by Farmers Union leader Ed. Yeomans, said he deemed it a "public duty to displace a rank reactionary like Albert Hawkes from the U. S. Senate."

ROBESON CHEERED

While not closing the door on possible nomination by the Democratic Party, Kingdon lashed out at Frank Hague and said: "When the workers and farmers and independent voters get behind a man, he has to run regardless of what the professional politicians may think."

He said his candidacy is the opening of a "national campaign to test whether the people want a second party." Kingdon's nomination was seconded by New Jersey-born Paul Robeson, whose reading of Langston Hughes' Freedom Train drew the biggest ovation of the evening.

A two-minute tribute, in dead silence, was given to the memory of Fiorello LaGuardia.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO :DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-104)

DATE: May 12, 1960

FROM :SAC, CHICAGO (100-32864)

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SUBJECT:COMMUNISTS PARTY, USA
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Another question arose when FLORY attempted to explain expenditures connected with a Negro History Week meeting at which LANGSTON HUGHES was the principal speaker.

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Accordingly, there is set forth below the text of the proposed anonymous mailing by this office to "The Worker" and the text of the accompanying note to be sent to A-AHA members:

"Worker"
36 W. Randolph
Chicago, Ill.

"Dear Sirs:

We are sending this because your paper has a good record fighting for working people and equal rights and exposed bad conditions which exist. And you gave good reports on our group, the Afro-American Heritage Association.

Many people on the South Side have paid good money to the fine aims of this organization but don't have

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any luck finding out what is done with it. Cash raised by rallies is not reported on. Members can't tell what is going on.

It has been more than once that people have asked Mr. Flory to back up expenses, checks, etc., which he does not explain. Like the meeting for Mr. DuBois and the meeting when Mr. Hughes spoke for Negro History Week.

We want our money to go for the good cause which AAHA stands for. The great heritage and culture of Negro people has got to be advertised and brought to the attention of all people. Your paper has helped along with Defender and others.

But this man does not satisfy when questions are asked. Does some money go into his personal account? This has got to be checked.

Maybe your paper can help dig up facts to straighten this out. Thanks for any help you give.

Committee to save AAHA"

The text of the note is set forth as follows:

"Dear Friend:

This was sent to The Worker because that paper helps people in trouble. Maybe this mess can be straightened out and AAHA put on the right track. The Board says nobody should get fat on the aspirations of the Negro people and that is right. Ask your friends in AAHA to help for the best interest of the whole group.

Committee to save AAHA"

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Outside Scope

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Sept 8/1956

Dear Mr Hoover:

I have recently written to you but our Local new papers showed that a Jehovah's Witnesses Convention will be held here in this City Sept. 14-16. I am hoping this will reach you in time to send me information back by 14.

I would like information on the following if it is available as to their affiliation with Communist

1. Jehovah's Witnesses
2. The featured Speaker for this Convention
   K. R. Savory of New York.

Also as I stated in previous letter.

1. Naacp.
2. Thurgood Marshal
3. Poster.
4. The Local Naacp leader
   Eli Rayburn 62-103411-2

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I have copy of 9-11-56 paper

5. The Local Negro Policeman by the name of Beiller.

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congregation informed. I'm so glad we
escaped this curse upon us.
Also another man I would like to
know if has any affiliation with
Communism is Langly Hughes who
is an editor of some book. I would
appreciate this information and if
there any charge I will be glad to pa
Hope I can receive this by at least
Sept 15 but do want it whether it c
be written here by that time or not.

Yours

[redacted]

(b)(7)(c)

San Angelo,
Texas

San A elo, Tex
Sept 6, 1956

Dear Mr Hoover:

I have recently written to you but our Local news-Paper showed that a Jehovah's Witnesses Convention will be held here in our City Sept. 14-16. I am hoping this will reach you in time to send me information back by 14.

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2. The featured Speaker for their Convention K. R. Savoy of New York.

Also as I stated in previous letter.

1. Naacp

2. Thurgold Marshal

3. Foster.

4. The Local Naacp leader Eli Rayburn.

5. A Local Negro Policman by the name of Butler.

As you know by now I am against Communism and want to keep my Congregation informed so as to be awakened to this curse upon us. Also another man I would like to know if has any affiliation with Communism is Langly Hughes who is An Author of some book. I would appricate this information and if theres any charge I will be glad to pay. Hope I can recieve this by at least Sept 15 but do want it wheather it can be gotten here by that time or not.

Thank you

/s [redacted] (b)(7)(c)

San Angelo, Texas

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San Angelo, Texas
Sept 5, 1956

Dear Sir:

As I am a minister of the Gospel I am quote concerned about the welfare of America. I am throughly against Communism. Would you supply me imformation as to The Jehovah's Witnesses in Communism and also concerning the N A A C P. If you have any other that would be of help to me I would certainly appreciate it. You see the N A A C P is comming to our town in Oct and two top officials one Foster and I forget the other. Also I have had some run in with the Jehovah's Witness. I would certainly appreciate this information as soon as possible and also is there any way that I can be of Service to the FBI in combating the menance of Communism. Also is the National Council of Churches connected in any way with communistic affiliation. My church is not a member of the National Council of Churches but I have friends who are and they wont believe my stand unless I have proof. I cincerly thank you and appreciate a man like you who will fight for America.

Thank you

/s/ [redacted] (b)(7)(c)

San Angelo, Texas

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 3/31/54

FROM: WFO (140-0)

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Supervisory Cryptolinquist
National Security Agency
Washington, D. C.
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SECURITY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES - GENERAL

It will be noted that in a recent investigation, the National Security Agency, Security Office, interviewed (b)(7)(c) [redacted] an employee of that agency. In the results of this interview, there was contained the following information regarding [redacted] (b)(7)(c)

(b)(7)(c) [redacted] listed as a reference MARY ELLEN CHASE on a statement of personal history, dated 7/28/49. This summary reflects that MARY ELLEN CHASE is a member of the "Editorial Advisory Board of Common Ground," which is published by the Common Counsel for American Unity. This report reflects that members of the Advisory Board of Common Counsel for American Unity are:

LOUIS ADAMIC
BAN WYCK BROOKS
PEARL BUCK
LANGSTON HUGHES
MARY ELLEN CHASE
ALVIN JOHNSON
THOMAS MANN
LIN YUTANG

According to the information received from [redacted] all of the above have been associated with Communist front associations.

The files of the WFO contain no record for (b)(7)(c) [redacted]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Mr. Tolson

DATE: March 9, 1953

FROM: L. B. Nichols

Best regards
J. A. Sullivan Jr.

Tolson
Ladd
Nichols
Belmont
Clegg
Glavin
Harbo
Rosen
Tracy
Gandy
Mohr
Winterrowd
Tele. Room
Holloman
Sizoo
Miss Gandy

SUBJECT: [redacted] (b)(7)(c)

On March 5, 1953 [redacted] in the office of [redacted] called and in my absence talked to Crosby. (b)(7)(c) (b)(7)(c) [redacted] stated [redacted] had suggested I be called for any information which might be available for the Senator's guidance about the American Heritage Protective Committee, Bedell Building, San Antonio, Texas.

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After checking, I had Crosby call [redacted] back and advise him that the Bureau had never conducted any investigation concerning the American Heritage Protective Committee, but that the Bureau had seen a letterhead of the Committee which showed the program of the organization and some of its officers; that, according to newspaper clippings, one of the officers, Mr. Austin Hancock, received publicity as a result of his activities in protesting the appearance in San Antonio in February of 1950 of Langston Hughes. He also received publicity in connection with his protest to use of the San Antonio, Texas, public building for an institute on international relations. This institute was held under the auspices of the American Friends Service Committee.

The foregoing information was set out in 105-16518. This is the main file of an organization called the Nationwide Committee for the Withdrawal from the United Nations, an organization which has in it groups which are described as ultra nationalist groups. It does not appear clearly from the file whether the American Heritage Protective Committee is actually affiliated with the Nationwide Committee for the Withdrawal from the United Nations.

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Attach: None, this is for information. (105-16518-16)

cc: Mr. Ladd

April 2, 1953

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EX-11 [redacted] (b)(7)(C)

State Library Commission
Memorial Building
Capitol Grounds
Bismarck, North Dakota

Dear [redacted] (b)(7)(C)

Your letter of March 26, 1953, with enclosure, has been received.

While I would like to be of service, I wish to advise that information in FBI files is confidential and available for official use only. I would like to point out also that the FBI is strictly a fact-finding agency, and it is not within the limits of its prescribed functions to draw conclusions or make evaluations concerning the character and integrity of any organization, individual or publication. I know you will understand the reason for these rules and will not infer either that we do or do not have the information you requested.

For your information, the United States House of Representatives has published a "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" in which are listed groups, periodicals and the like which have been cited as subversive by various state and Federal agencies. Copies may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C., for thirty-five cents.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NOTE: Bufiles reflect that "Common Sense" is violently anti-Semitic, and a number of complaints have been received concerning its distribution. Conde McGinley is the Editor of this newspaper. No investigation has been conducted concerning the paper; however, a summary of its background was furnished the Department of Justice on 1-10-52. "The Reporter" magazine has been cited by the HCUA. Bufiles were not checked re the names of all the individuals correspondent submitted; however, it is noted that several of these individuals have been prominently depicted as pro-Communist.

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March 26, 1953

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Head
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Mr. John Morely who addressed us March 17, 1953 and of whom I asked a question about the possibility of some material being subversive suggested that I write you regarding these publications: COMMON SENSE, which was sent unsolicited to every member of the North Dakota Legislature in session January 6 to March 6, 1953. Entered as second class matter, January 27, 1940, at the Post Office at Union, N.J., Conde McGinley, Editor. THE SOUTHERN CONSERVATIVE, which was sent to a few of the legislators, Ida M. Darden, editor, Editorial Offices Flatiron Building, Fort Worth, Texas. THE NEW WORLD, Jessica Smith, editor, published monthly by the S.R.T. publications, Inc., 23 West 26th Street, New York 10, New York. THE REPORTER, 220 East 42nd Street, New York 17, New York.

In the New York Herald Tribune, Wednesday, November 14, 1951, we have taken from the Scarsdale Story the enclosed names listed as communists subversives and fellow-travelers. Would you care to comment on any of these names? We do not, at the State Library Commission, wish to play into the hands of the communists and we wish to exercise discretion when handing out material. We shall appreciate any help you may give us.

Sincerely [redacted] (b)(7)(c)

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Howard Fast

Harrison Forman

Joseph Gaer

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Margaret Halsey

Lillian Hellman

Langston Hughes

Marshall Ilin

Annalee Jacoby

Otto Klineberg

Alfred Kreymborg

Corliss Lamont

Richard Lauterbach

Owen Lattimore

Carey McWilliams

Arthur Miller

Kate Mitchell

Clifford Odets

Dorothy Parker

George Seldes

Edgar Snow

Vilhjalmur Stefansson

Maxwell Steward

Anna Louise Strong

Louis Untermeyer

Theodore White

Albert Rhys Williams

Oct. 24, 1950

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Your letter of June 7, 1950, has been

[illegible]

John Edgar Hoover
Director

[illegible]

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June [illegible], 19[illegible]

[illegible] Investigation
[illegible], D.C.

[illegible]:

[illegible] general articles for [illegible] published by the [illegible], Inc. [illegible], General Post [illegible]

[illegible] 11 these [illegible] communist, a communist front for [illegible] organization. [illegible] affiliated with communists. [illegible]:

[illegible]

[illegible] Jr. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Holland Jr., [illegible]

[illegible] Viola [illegible]

I would appreciate a reply as soon as possible, as I [illegible] to [illegible] myself [illegible] in any way with communists.

Yours very sincerely, (b)(7)(C)

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April 23, 1948

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Grass Valley, California

Dear [redacted] (b)(7)(c)

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Your letter of April 17, 1948, has been received and I want to thank you for sending me the leaflet recently forwarded to you from Los Angeles. It has occurred to me that the enclosed address entitled "Secularism-A Breeder of Crime" might be of some interest to you. Also, I am sending other material which you might like to read. The thoughts prompting your communication are indeed appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure
SECULARISM
HOW TO FIGHT COMMUNISM
MENACE OF COMMUNISM

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
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[redacted] Grass Valley, Calif.

Mr. J.Edgar Hoover,
Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U.S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

April 17th, '48.

Dear Mr. Hoover:-

The enclosure was recently sent to me from Los Angeles. It seemed to me it would bear investigation.... and somethig done about it. Am amazed that such things can be allowed in our country.

Very truly yours,

[redacted] (b)(7)(c)

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(PRINT FROM ORIGINAL)

Attention, Christians!

Be sure to attend the Book and Author Luncheon at
VISTA DEL ARROYO HOTEL
Pasadena, California
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15th, 1940—at 12:15 Promptly
Hear the Distinguished Young Negro Poet
LANGSTON HUGHES
Author of the following poem, and member of the American Section of Moscow's

"INTERNATIONAL UNION OF REVOLUTIONARY WRITERS"

"GOODBYE CHRIST"

"Listen, Christ,
You did all right in your day, I reckon—
But that day's gone now.
They ghosted you up a swell story too,
Called it Bible—
But its dead now.
The popes and preachers 've
Made too much money from it.
They've sold you to too many.

"Kings, generals, robbers and killers—
Even to the Czar and the Cossaks,
Even to Rockefeller's church,
Even to THE SATURDAY EVENING POST.
You ain't no good no more.
They've pawned you
Till you've done wore out.

"Goodbye,
Christ Jesus Lord God Jehova,
Beat it on away from here now.
Make way for a new guy with no religion at all—
A real Guy named
Marx, Communist, Lenin, Peasant; Stalin, Worker;
Me—I said, *ME!*

"Go ahead on now,
You're getting in the way of things, Lord.
And please take Saint Gandhi with you when you go.
And Saint Pope Pius,
And Saint Aimie McPherson,
And big black Saint Becton
Of the Consecrated Dime.

"And step on the gas, Christ!
The world is mine from now on—
Move!
Don't be so slow about movin'!
And nobody's gonna sell ME
To a king, or a general, or a millionaire.

ATTEND THE LUNCHEON, CHRISTIANS
AND HEAR
GEORGE PALMER PUTNAM
Introduce the author of the above "poem"
LANGSTON HUGHES
Distinguished young Negro poet—and eat, IF YOU CAN

December 5, 1969

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[redacted] (b)(7)(C)

Grandview, Missouri 64030

Dear [redacted] (b)(7)(C)

In reply to your letter of December 1st, I cannot answer your specific questions as information in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice. I regret I cannot be of help to you in this instance.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Bureau files contain no record of correspondent. We have had numerous citizens inquiries regarding Sex Information and Education Council of the United States and the individuals affiliated with it and our files contain information regarding some of the individuals he listed. Other individuals which he has inquired about are well-known to the Bureau as well as the National Council of Churches.

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[illegible] 1, 1969

[illegible] Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
[illegible], D. C. [illegible]

[illegible]:

[illegible] for some information for our church, The Sunrise Baptist [illegible], [illegible], Missouri. We are a small church but [illegible] Communism is getting in our United States.

[illegible] our church contributes to the National Council of Churches. [illegible] some information which indicates there are Communists in the National Council of Churches and some holding offices. We, as a New Testament church, do not want a penny of our contributions to help Communism. In fact, we feel Congress should make no Communistic organizations [illegible] and a Communist be allowed to hold any job [illegible].

[illegible] quick answers to these questions. In case you cannot quote [illegible] please answer "Yes" or "No" to the questions?

[illegible] the National Council of Churches infiltrated with Communism? Yes [illegible]

[illegible] the National Council of Churches lean toward Communism? Yes No

[illegible] the following [illegible] known Communists or affiliated in [illegible] with Communism?

1. Dr. Lazy Soltrone (Executive Director of SIECUS) — Yes No
2. Dr. Isadore Rubin (Pres. of SIECUS & Editor of Sexology Mag.) — Yes No
3. Mr. Lester A. Kirkendall, (Professor of Family Life, Oregon State Univ. & member of Board of SIECUS) — Yes No
4. Dr. William H. Masters, (Board Member of SIECUS) — Yes No
5. Mrs. Eli[illegible] Roosta (Board member of SIECUS, & head of [illegible] Dept. of Labor) — Yes No
6. Rev. Willi[illegible] H. Genne, (Conference of SIECUS) — Yes No

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1. Mr. Joseph Kessler (Author of "Situation Ethics - The New Morality")	Yes	No
2. Victor Lasky, Author	Yes	No
3. Mr. Cecil Kittredge, Author	Yes	No
10. Mr. L. F. Lutzky, Author	Yes	No
11. Jerry Kuntz, Author	Yes	No
12. Dr. William Graham Cole, Author	Yes	No

[illegible] work on the [illegible] information you can give us. It is very important [illegible] the true status of some of the above mentioned as there are [illegible] some that have been [illegible] person in the [illegible] field of [illegible] related with Communism, but we have other information from informers otherwise and we feel we must know the truth for the [illegible] of our church. We know of no other person who could give us the true [illegible] we [illegible].

Sincerely yours,

(b)(7)(C) [redacted]

[illegible] 65037

[illegible] to the above mentioned persons, if you know of any others [illegible] SIMPLY who are Communists [illegible] affiliated in any way with the Communism, would appreciate this [illegible]. Thank you.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Los Angeles, California
May 27, 1943

Director, FBI

Re: "MISSION TO MOSCOW"

Dear Sir:

[redacted]

I am forwarding with this communication three copies of a memorandum prepared for me by Special Agent [redacted] of the Los Angeles office. I requested this Agent to submit his opinion of this picture, inasmuch as I believe he is as well qualified as any Special Agent to evaluate it, and that accounts for the expression of his opinion in the memorandum. [redacted]

Very truly yours,

R. B. HOOD
SAC.

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Los Angeles, California
May 14, 1943

MEMORANDUM

Re: MISSION TO MOSCOW
(Motion Picture produced by Warner Brothers)

On May 8, 1943 the writer witnessed a preview of the above named motion picture produced by WARNER BROTHERS STUDIO in Burbank, California.

In order to state the impressions one gathers from seeing this picture, it is necessary to state some of the background as it is believed to exist. It should be taken into consideration that the adaptation of the play from the book "MISSION TO MOSCOW" by JOSEPH E. DAVIES, former Ambassador to Moscow, was made by ERSKINE CALDWELL.

[redacted]

EUGENE LYONS, in his book "THE RED DECADE", Page 145, has stated the following with respect to the League of American Writers, under the principal heading "More Planets are Launched":

"Only a congenital dunce can peruse the proceedings of the first Congress of American Revolutionary Writers, which launched the League of American Writers, and doubt that the show was carefully stated by the communists. Every slogan of the Comintern was woven into the design of the performance. Its fundamental assumption was the perfection of STALIN's Russia, including its new literature. Messages from Soviet writers threw the audience into spasms of orgiastic enthusiasm. Every address was a direct or indirect salute to the Kremlin.

"Held in the New School for Social Research in New York, April 24-27, 1935, the congress occurred unknowingly on the very edge of the crumbling Third Period..... Its Muscovite inspiration was not yet muted and camouflaged; the adjective 'revolutionary' was not yet outlawed; the allegiance to Russia was not disguised. Such stratagems would confuse the issue in subsequent congresses and leave muddled

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literary people more muddled than ever. But now the affair was boldly communist. BROWDER was well to the fore in the organizational stages. The fat little man with the tiny, frightened eyes, ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG, head of International Publishers and one of the party leaders, was busy moving scenery and prompting the actors.

"MICHAEL GOLD was greeted as 'the best-loved American revolutionary writer' and accepted the accolade without protest. He boasted of the deepening cultural influence of the Communist Party, referring specifically to the success of the Theatre Union and the Group Theatre and to the dozens of revolutionary books rolling off capitalist presses.

"'Our writers must learn,' said he, 'that the working class which has created a great civilization in the Soviet Union is capable of creating a similar civilization in this country.' He called on red writers to regard themselves thereafter as 'artists in uniform.'

"But the center of the stage was held by the party functionaries—GOLD, HATHAWAY, FREEMAN, TRACHTENBERG, OLGIN, et al.—without the concealment which would later become compulsory. The resolutions voted by the congress followed the Moscow line as closely as any party manifesto. The main address, of course, was BROWDER's. 'The Communist Party,' he declared, 'greets this historic Congress of American Writers. We are all soldiers, each in our own place, in a common cause. Let our efforts be united in fraternal solidarity.' The remarkable fact is that an organization as frankly Muscovite should, within less than twelve months, dare pretend to be independent and nonpartisan. Only one fact is more remarkable: that so many hundreds of writers throughout the country should have believed the outrageous lie.

"Before the memory of the League's parentage is quite obliterated, let me list the founding fathers for the coming historian of literary curiosities. The call for the congress was signed by: (3)

"Earl Browder, Michael Gold, Granville Hicks, Theodore Dreiser, Nathan Asch, Lester Cohen, Edward Dahlberg, John L. Spivak, Nelson Algren, Arnold B. Armstrong, Maxwell Bodenheim, Thomas Boyd, Bob Brown, Fielding Burke, Kenneth Burke, Robert Coates, ERSKINE CALDWELL, Alan Calmer, Robert Cantwell, Jack Conroy, Malcolm Cowley, Guy Endore, James T. Farrell, Kenneth Fearing, Ben Field, Waldo Frank, Joseph Freeman, Eugene Gordon, Horace Gregory, Henry Hart, Clarence Hathaway, Josephine Herbst, Robert Herrick, Langston Hughes, Orrick Johns, Arthur Kallet, Lincoln Kirstein, Herbert Kline, Joshua Kunitz, John Howard Lawson, Tillie Lerner, Meridel Le Sueur, Melvin Levy, Robert Morss Lovett, Louis Lozowick, Grace Lumpkin, Lewis Mumford, Edward Newhouse, Joseph North, Moissaye J. Olgin, Samuel Ornitz, Myra Page, John Dos Passos, Paul

Peters, Allen Porter, Harold Preece, William Rollins, Jr., Paul Romaine, Isidor Schneider, Edwin Seaver, Claire Sifton, Paul Sifton, George Sklar, Lincoln Steffens, Philip Stevenson, Genevieve Taggard, Alexander Trachtenberg, Nathaniel West, Ella Winter, and Richard Wright."

On Page 318 of this book, Mr. LYONS states:

"The initial congress which launched the league, as we have already recorded, was frankly communist in its temper. Among the signers of its call were Comrades BROWDER, ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG, GOLD, MOISSAYE OLGIN, JOSEPH NORTH, JOSEPH FREEMAN and other undisguised communists. The call for the Second Congress, held in New York on June 4-6, 1937, omitted such names. It was garnished more discreetly with non-political names, in line with the new period. The signers now were NEWTON ARVIN, VAN WYCK BROOKS, ERSKINE CALDWELL, MALCOLM COWLEY, PAUL de KRUIF, WALDO FRANK, LANGSTON HUGHES, JAMES WELDON JOHNSON, JOHN HOWARD LAWSON, ROBERT MORSS LOVETT, ARCHIBALD MacLEISH, CLAUDE McKAY, VINCENT SHEEAN, UPTON SINCLAIR, GEORGE SOULE, DONALD OGDEN STEWART, GENEVIEVE TAGGARD, JEAN STARR UNTERMEYER, CARL VAN DOREN, ELLA WINTER and LEWIS MUMFORD."

[redacted]

MEMORANDUM

Re: MISSION TO MOSCOW -5- May 14, 1943

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EUGENE LYONS in his book "The Red Decade", states on Page 139 the following:

"The New Theatre boasted what is probably the largest group of 'contributing editors' ever published at one time. Besides the party wheel horses it included ANITA BLOCK, HALLIE FLANAGAN (subsequently head of the Federal Theatre Project), VIRGIL GEDDES, PAUL and Mrs. PAUL SIFTON, JAY DEVIN, H. W. L. DANA, LANGSTON HUGHES, ROBERT FORSYTHE, MURIEL RUKEYSER, and others."

Outside Scope

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Memorandum

To: Mr. DeLoach Date: 8-24-60

From: M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: FULTON LEWIS BROADCAST
7:15 P.M., 8-24-60, STATION WMC

Tonight Fulton Lewis stated the series of broadcasts he is now running on the National Council of Churches are in great demand and his office has been flooded for copies that they are available at 10 cents per broadcast or 50 cents for the five broadcasts during the week. Mr. Lewis states the National Council of Churches of Christ in America recommended more than 200 books to Negroes indicating that these books would clarify the position of the Negro American. Mr. Lewis states that members of his staff had looked over some of these books and had found they were so filthy, filthy, and not fit to be read that he could not quote passages from them. He stated that out of the more than 200 authors recommended by the National Council of Churches are members of communist front organizations and contributed to the record of Langston Hughes being typical of the authors. He read Langston Hughes' poem, "Will One More S[illegible] Make it Soviet." After this he stated he wanted to apologize for the next poem he was going to read as he felt it was a sacrilege to even mention it on the air but it was the only way in which he felt he could let the authorities know what type of man Langston Hughes is and that this was typical of the authors recommended by the National Council which had recommended nine of Langston Hughes' books to be read by children ranging from the lower grades of grammar school to the high school age.

Mr. Lewis then read the poem which has been called to the attention of the Bureau before entitled "Goodbye Christ."

RECOMMENDATION:

For information only.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Mr. Tolson

DATE: September 7, 1954

FROM: L. B. Nichols

Amer. Legion

SUBJECT: AMERICAN LEGION CONVENTION
AUGUST 30 - SEPTEMBER 2, 1954

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RESOLUTIONS OF INTEREST TO FBI:

Outside Scope

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RESOLUTIONS OF INTEREST TO FBI CONCERNING INTERNAL SECURITY FIELD:

Outside Scope

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cc - Mr. Boardman
cc - Mr. Belmont
Attachments

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Memorandum for Mr. Tolson from L. B. Nichols

RE: AMERICAN LEGION CONVENTION
AUGUST 30 - SEPTEMBER 2, 1954

Secondly, the resolution commended the Girl Scouts for making additions and deletions in their 1954 Handbook which indicated the withdrawal of subversive influences from the Handbook and suggested that the American Legion and the Girl Scouts cooperate in future endeavors to prevent subversion from creeping into Girl Scout publications. The resolution additionally called for the expulsion of Girl Scout officials who had allowed the presentation of subversive influences in Girl Scout publications in their original phase. Attachment C of this memorandum reflects the objections of the Department of Illinois to certain publications of the Girl Scouts, chiefly that part which recommends to Girl Scouts and their parents the reading of articles written by Dorothy Canfield Fisher and Langston Hughes, both described by the Illinois American Legion as being "notorious Communist fronters." This resolution passed unanimously before the General Assembly of the American Legion.

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March 3, 1947

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Your letter dated March 3, 1947, has been received and I want to thank you for your [illegible] interest in keep[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Sincerely yours,

[illegible]

[illegible] September 4, 2013, this correspondence [illegible] general letters relative to alleged [illegible] conducted on the part of the American Observer. [illegible] advised that the Bureau has no authority to keep this publication out of the public schools and has been referred to his local school authorities.
File 94-3-4-861 reflects that the American Observer has been very cooperative in the past in publicizing work of the Bureau and the opportunities it offers prospective employees.

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[illegible]
March 2, 1947

[illegible]
[illegible] D.C.

[illegible] following in my [illegible] of the [illegible] which a clipping from [illegible] of the local newspaper a clipping of [illegible] a book entitled [illegible] people. My own feeling, which must be [illegible] use of the American [illegible]

Very truly yours,

[redacted]

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NEWS-PRESS

Friday, Feb. 28, 1947 Page 1

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters to the department should not exceed 100 words. Lengthy letters, however, if used, will be cut to the length. Correspondents must include name and address, but initials only will be used if desired.

MUST READING

Editor, News-Press: Is it possible to find out if Joseph Stalin's agents now are furnishing part of the reading material many students of the Glendale High School are being FORCED to read?

Last week, my son, who attends Glendale High School, informed his mother that he would have to come to take to school to go for a paper called The American Observer. When she asked him what he MUST read, he showed her information that this one of the "dirty dozen" newspapers and requires the students that if they are subscribe to the American Observer, which would be credited from their grade. In other words, it should be kept strangled. Another of the was a subscription to the American Observer the grade would be 5 minus.

This was highly interesting to me and I read the Feb. 17th issue of "The American Observer" to learn why it is required in our Glendale High Schools. My suspicions were confirmed. Among other items I discovered in this paper a full page photo page entitled "Negro Americans" the Negro race that produced Langston Hughes, whose poetry on the problems of the people has moved thousands." The article goes on to state that "Other noted living Negro Americans..."

I have nothing against Negroes. In fact I have a deep affection for them. But I do have something against Communists whether they be Negroes, Whites, Jews or Chinamen.

Langston Hughes is a Communist of the most expressive and radical type. He was educated in Moscow. He was kicked out of one country because of his anarchistic activities. Here, in America, he has been exposed by such groups as the Joint Fact-Finding Committee, to the Fifty-third California Legislature, better known as the Tenney Committee. While making attacks on the American way of life, Langston Hughes wrote such poems as his "Revolution." The following is just one verse from such a poem:

"Some [illegible]
[illegible] fear,
A[illegible] (the Capitalist)
from [illegible] to limb.
[illegible] golden throat
[illegible]
And [illegible] time forever
[illegible]
[illegible]
Great mob that knows no fear."

And The American Observer, the publication my American son MUST subscribe to, else be given a lower grade in his study than he earned, praises and Langston Hughes among America's noted Negroes!

Langston Hughes also is the author of the most vicious, anti-Christian attack ever made on Jesus of Nazareth. It is titled, "Goodbye, Christ." One portion of it reads: "You ain't no good no more. They're penned you, they've done you out ... [illegible]

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[illegible] United States the Negro race [illegible] Langston Hughes [illegible] problems of [illegible]

[illegible] Because Hughes is a Communist [illegible] radical type. He was educated [illegible] Moscow. He was [illegible] out of the country because of his association with villes. Here [illegible] Americans have exposed by [illegible] Fifth Column [illegible] from such a [illegible]

"Come [illegible]
Great [illegible] know no fear.
[illegible] the Crucifixion
[illegible]
Still [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] time [illegible]
Now—
The year—
Great [illegible]"

And [illegible] American Observer [illegible] publication [illegible] American [illegible] Author [illegible] lower grade in a study than he earned, points out Langston Hughes among America's [illegible] poets.

Langston Hughes also is the author of the most vicious, anti-Christian attack ever made on Jesus of Nazareth. It is titled "Good-bye, Christ." One portion of it reads: "You ain't no good no more. They've crowned you till you've done more out [illegible] Beat it on away from here now. Make way for a new god with no religion at all—Marx, Communist Lenin, Peasant Stalin, Worker God."

Is this the type literature the [illegible] and mothers of Christian

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children attending Glendale High School want their boys and girls to read? Do they want their children to be [illegible] to such subtle Communist propaganda as that contained in "The American Observer" in which the letter of the American way of life and of our Savior is listed among "noted" Americans?

Americans had better take off their [illegible] glasses, get out their [illegible] and go to [illegible]—FATHER OF A GLENDALE HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN BOY.

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
MAY 1962 EDITION
GSA FPMR (41 CFR) 101-11.6

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 12/3/65

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (136-0)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN LEGION MATTERS
13TH DISTRICT
OHIO DEPARTMENT

Enclosed for the Bureau are three (3) Xerox copies of an advertisement regarding author LANGSTON HUGHES, which appeared in the 11/11/65 issue of "The Plain Dealer," a daily and Sunday morning newspaper, and three (3) Xerox copies of poems which were allegedly written by HUGHES.

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On 11/12/65 [redacted] visited the Cleveland Division and spoke with SA [redacted] furnished a copy of an advertisement which appeared in the 11/11/65 issue of "The Plain Dealer," a daily and Sunday morning newspaper. This advertisement reflects that LANGSTON HUGHES, author of "Simple's Uncle Sam" and author of many books, would be in The May Company's downtown store on that date. [redacted] also presented a Xerox copy of a throwaway published by the Bible Institute of the Air, P.O. Box 781, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on which appeared three poems allegedly written by the aforementioned LANGSTON HUGHES. [redacted] said the American Legion is very upset over the appearance of HUGHES at The May Company on Veteran's Day, during the time the Legion was honoring our dead in Vietnam and also was presenting a Legion award to FRANK COY, President of The May Company. [redacted] stated that many irate Americans are writing letters to The May Company protesting HUGHES' appearance. He added they are

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also protesting to Cleveland Station WEWS-TV and the sponsor of the DOROTHY FULDHEIM interview show for his appearance there, as well as to Cleveland Station WEWS Radio for his appearance on the ALLEN DOUGLAS "Apartment 13" radio show.

Regarding LANGSTON HUGHES, Cleveland files contain a newspaper article from the 3/9/48 issue of the Akron Beacon Journal, a daily newspaper, which reflects that the House Committee on Un-American Activities had linked HUGHES with a number of organizations that have been labelled "subversive" and/or "Communist front" by that committee and, in some cases, by the Justice Department. An article in the 11/15/62 issue of "The Cleveland Press," a daily evening newspaper, describes him as a former Cleveland author, playwright and poet.

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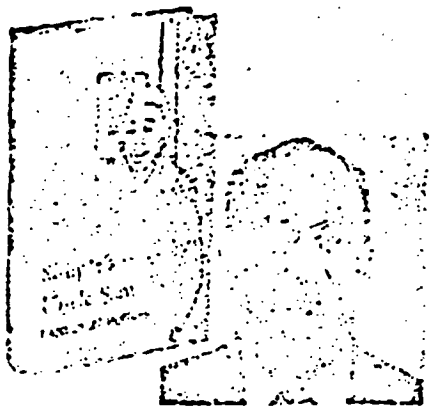

Meet Mr. Langston Hughes Author of "Simple's Uncle Sam" At May's Book Shop Today

May's takes pride in presenting Mr. Langston Hughes, author of many books. He'll be in May's Downtown Book Shop Today, 12 Noon to 1:00 P.M. to autograph copies of his latest book, Simple's Uncle Sam, 3.95

If unable to attend, just write or phone CH 1-3070, for your autographed copy. Book Shop, May's St. Fl. Downtown, Branches incl. Great Northern

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THE N. C. C. IS ON THE SPOT

You hear much today about "thunder on the right." Well, I [illegible] to introduce some "lightening on the left." The National Council of Churches [illegible] long been noted for their liberal view[illegible] on religion. They strongly recommended [illegible] Negro American Reading List for the youth of our nations to read, starting in with grade one and going through grade twelve. We have taken two samples of poems written by a known Communist, Langston Hughes. Below are his poems that we are speaking of. The third poem entitled "The Lord's Prayer" was sponsored by The National Council of Methodist Youths. When we made a broadcast featuring the songs by The North American Youth Ecumenical Movement the public demand was so great for them that we decided to publish this literature supplement. It is difficult for me to give an appraisal of people who are trying to tear down my Savior. I have had enough of it, so I am going to publish everything I can get exposing this modernistic movement. I covet your prayers regarding this venture and urge all people connected with the Ecumenical Movement to study this carefully and ask yourself the question, "Can I conscientiously continue to support such a liberal outfit?"

GOODBYE CHRIST

"Listen Christ,
You did alright in your day, I reckon—
But that day's gone now
They ghosted you up a swell story, too,
Called it the Bible —

"But it's dead now.
The popes and preacher've
Made too much money from it.
They've sold you to too many
Kings, generals, robbers, and killers—
Even to the Tsar and the Cossacks,
Even to Rockefeller's Church
Even to THE SATURDAY EVENING POST.
You ain't no good no more.
They've pawned you
Till you've done worn out.

"Goodbye,
Christ Jesus, Lord God Jehova,
Beat it on away from here now.
Make way for a new guy with no religion at all —
A real guy named
Marx, Communist, Lenin, Peasant, Stalin, Worker,
Mr —
I said, ME!
"Go ahead on now,
You're getting in the way of things, Lord.
And please take Saint Ghandi with you when you go,
And Saint Pope Pius,
And Saint Aimee McPherson,
And the black Saint Becton
Of the Consecrated Dime.
And Step on the gas, Christ!
Move!
Don't be so slow about movin'!
The world is mine from now on —
And nobody's gonna sell ME
To a king, or a general,
Or a millionaire."

ONE MORE "S" IN THE U.S.A.

Now across the waters in Russia
They have a big U.S.S.R.,
The fatherland of the Soviets,
But that is mighty far
From New York or Texas or California, too.
So listen fellow workers,
This is what we have to do.

CHORUS

Put one more S in the U.S.A.
To make it Soviet,
One more S in the U.S.A.
Oh, we'll live to see it yet.
When the land belongs to the farmers
And the factories belong to the working man,
The U.S.A., when we take control,
Will be the U.S.S.A. then.

But we can't win out just talking
So let us take things in our hands,
Then down and away with the bosses' sway,
Hail, Communist land.
So stand up in battle and wave our flag on high
And shout out, fellow workers,
Our new slogan to the sky.

But we can't join hands strong together
So long as white are lynching black,
So black and white in one Union fight
And get on the right track.
By Texas or Georgia or Alabama led
Come together fellow workers,
Black and White can all be Red.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

"O, daddy, O
Who art the most
Hurrah for your support
My personality integrate
All my physiques develope
My nervous system calm
In body as in mind.

Prepare me new tempo
Our daily jive, and
Release us from our parents
And other repressed victims.

Lead me into more self-expression
And much less boredom
For you are the coolest
Conest, and hepest drive
From now on."

Note: Additional copies of this may be ordered by writing to P.O. Box 781, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Join with us in exposing modernistic and Communistic influences in our churches today. Let us agree on Matthew 18:19 that if two of us shall agree on earth as touching this situation we can pray and God will change it. Be sure to write in for a free copy of the Bible Institute News published monthly by the Bible Institute of the Air, Inc., P. O. Box 781, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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Date: October 7, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. MUMFORD

RE: HARVARD UNIVERSITY

Attached hereto is photostatic material concerning the captioned matter obtained by the Washington Field Office from the files of [redacted] of the National Republic Magazine. This material was made available gratuitously by [redacted] and was forwarded to the Bureau by letter from the Washington Field Office dated August 27, 1942. (b)(7)(D) (b)(7)(D)

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire.

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The Harvard Communist

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EDITORIALS

THE CLASS MARXISTS
IN THE NEW
HARVARD

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EDITORIALS 3

POETRY

[illegible] Langston Hughes [illegible]

[illegible] by [illegible]

Letter to the Academy,

by Langston Hughes [illegible]

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[illegible] SPAIN STAND FOR

In [illegible] Archibald MacLeish recently delivered at Harvard, he emphasized the [illegible] of writers, poets, and artists, who are [illegible]. This [illegible] is not [illegible]. The [illegible] of art and a [illegible] of all the [illegible] in Europe today. In Italy there has been [illegible], Germany [illegible] has been [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible]. The [illegible] Franco [illegible] Garcia Lorca [illegible].

[illegible] Franco [illegible] destruction in the [illegible] [illegible] even more impressive [illegible] Madrid [illegible] and a host of young [illegible] [illegible] and above all the [illegible] of Spain moving pictures and [illegible] amazingly well [illegible] [illegible].

The [illegible] in Spain is [illegible] and forming a [illegible] [illegible]. They fight [illegible] brave [illegible] that are [illegible] of the German [illegible] who bomb the women and children of Madrid [illegible] a democratic country against the foreign invasion of German, Italian, and Moors, they fight against Franco for [illegible] the violence and destruction which the [illegible] to the [illegible] and [illegible] to the rest of the world. [illegible] are at stake, and they wish [illegible] before [illegible] too late.

We [illegible] the defense of Spain [illegible]. The men and women who are fighting there for democracy are fighting for the people of America as well as for the people of Europe. The cultural [illegible] in the same danger as that of Paris, [illegible], or Madrid. The invading troops under Franco are simply a more obvious and immediate expression of Fascism [illegible] in a [illegible] country such as our own. Fascism [illegible] the United States [illegible]. Neither [illegible] nor the [illegible] about the increasing oppression of American [illegible] must ever be forgotten. For the reason we who [illegible] freedom we have, we who wish to preserve our art and culture, must do everything in our power to support those who are defending that freedom, that art, and that culture in Spain today.

Those who [illegible] to make their support [illegible] — in money, food, clothing, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of Spanish [illegible] [illegible]

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THE YOUTH ACT

Song of Spain

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Goya, Velasquez, [illegible]
[illegible]
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[illegible]
[illegible] song of Spain.

What's that.

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] the song of Spain.

[illegible] would [illegible], would you?
[illegible]
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[illegible]
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[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible] Spain

[illegible]
[illegible]
The people are Spain
The people [illegible] place
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
I [illegible] for Spain!

[illegible]
[illegible] again!
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] day
When [illegible] not only in Spain —
But on me and you!

[illegible] again!
[illegible] again!
[illegible] again
[illegible] Spain!
[illegible] Spain!
Workers [illegible],
[illegible]
[illegible]
The burning plane!
[illegible] again
[illegible]
To kill and guard
[illegible]
Under the [illegible] of a [illegible]
[illegible]
And dropping [illegible] from a Christian [illegible]
On the people.

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HARVARD COMMUNIST

Letter to the Academy

Lost Down?

Lenin's Communism: 1920 and 1937

The Supreme Court Question

The YCL at Harvard

The Student Movement in China

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Towards Survival

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

United States Department of Justice

Grand Rapids, Michigan
July 5, 1940

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Re: Seventeenth Annual Convention
Michigan Association of Chiefs of
Police, St. Joseph, Michigan
June 24 to 27, 1940.

Dear Sir:

In connection with other matters of an official nature being handled by me in that vicinity I attended the opening session of the above meeting at St. Joseph, Michigan on June 24, 1940. I also attended the business session on the morning of June 25th and later attended the business session on the morning of June 26th and the banquet on the night of June 26th.

Special Agent [redacted] of this office, who is assigned to the territory around St. Joseph, attended as much of the business sessions as his work would permit and also attended the banquet on June 26th.

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(Letter to the Director from Special Agent in Charge, Grand Rapids, Michigan dated July 5, 1940.)

At the annual banquet on the night of June 26 GERALD L. K. SMITH of Detroit, Michigan spoke on the topic "Police and the 5th Column". MR. SMITH spoke for about an hour. He is a speaker of the orator type and stated that his purpose was to arouse public sentiment about Fifth Column activities. During his talk he requested that individuals and police refer complaints pertaining to internal security matters to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. MR. SMITH cited numerous individuals of Communistic trend around the country, mentioning specifically LANGSTON HUGHES, a Communist poet at the University of Michigan, GRANVILLE HICKS, Editor of "The New Masses", a Communist book, the JOHN READ CLUB at Harvard University, and berated individuals of the type of Reverend KNOX in Detroit. He specifically expressed himself as being against Communism, Nazism, and Fascism.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
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July 29, 1943

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: GENERAL INTELLIGENCE SURVEY IN THE UNITED STATES
JULY, 1943

The July issue of this monograph covering the month of June, 1943, is being submitted for your approval with appropriate cover letters and memoranda to the following:

The Vice President
The Attorney General
Honorable Harry L. Hopkins, The White House
Major General Edwin M. Watson,
The White House
The Secretary of War
The Secretary of the Navy
The Secretary of the Treasury
The Secretary of State
Honorable Adolf A. Berle, Jr.
Assistant Secretary of State
Major General George V. Strong, G-2
Rear Admiral H. C. Train, Naval Intelligence
Mr. Nelson A. Rockefeller, Coordinator of
Inter-American Affairs
Honorable Leo T. Crowley, Office of
Economic Warfare
Mr. Elmer Davis, Office of War Information.

Respectfully,

D. M. Ladd

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July 21, 1943

MR. D. M. LADD

Re: GENERAL INTELLIGENCE SURVEY
MONTHLY SUMMARY, JULY, 1943

I am transmitting herewith for your approval the final draft of the Monthly Summary for July, 1943, covering the period of June 1 to June 30, 1943.

Subject to your approval, the original of this summary should be returned for multi-lithing and transmittal to the various Government agencies.

Respectfully,

F. L. Welch

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

United States Department of Justice

John Edgar Hoover
Director

July, 1943

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COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES

INTRODUCTION

The following general Communist Party activities for the month of June, 1943, are supplementary to Communist Party activities submitted in previous general intelligence survey memoranda.

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Negro Labor Victory Committee and People's Committee, New York City

The largest single gathering of Negroes in the City of New York for the past month was the Negro freedom rally held June 7th at Madison Square Garden. Langston Hughes, Negro author, wrote a dramatic spectacle, entitled "For this We Fight". Paul Robeson took part in this affair. Speakers included the Reverend Adam Clayton Powell, Representative Vito Marcantonio, Dr. Channing H. Tobias, Charles Collins, Executive Secretary of the Negro Labor Victory Committee and a member of the Communist Party, and the Reverend Thomas Harten, Brooklyn Baptist minister.

Over twenty thousand persons reportedly jammed Madison Square Garden and it was announced that several thousand persons were turned away, who listened to the proceedings on the outside through loud speaker systems. At this rally, several topics were discussed, including the report on the Anti-Poll Tax Bill, which passed the House of Representatives.

At the rally, said to have been under Communist domination, a resolution was passed advocating the immediate opening of a second front. Attention was also directed to the Mobile, Alabama, shipyard situation in which several thousand Negro workers were kept off the job because white workers did not want to work with them. The rally also went on record as urging the defeat or veto of the Smith-Connally Bill, and the rally also protested the killing of Negro Soldiers in the South, stating that this is reaching alarming proportions.

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September 14, 1953

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Phoenix, Arizona

Dear [redacted] b)(7)(C)

Your letter postmarked September 2, 1953, and the enclosures have been received and your interest in communicating with me is appreciated.

In the event you obtain additional data which you believe to be of interest to this Bureau, you may desire to communicate directly with the Special Agent in Charge of our Phoenix Office located at 102 U. S. Court House Building, Phoenix, Arizona.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - 2 - Phoenix (with copies of incoming)
cc - 2 - Indianapolis (with copies of incoming)

Forwarded with correspondent's communication was a copy of a poem entitled "Goodbye Christ" by Langston Hughes, as well as a mimeographed copy of an article captioned "What Do You Think," dated December, 1952, prepared by the correspondent which denounces Communism. These enclosures are being retained in Bufiles.

Examination of Bufiles reflects correspondent has previously forwarded examples of her writings to the Bureau and has been furnished routine acknowledgments. These writings also generally attack Communism. (100-344108)

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Langston Hughes is subject of Security Matter - C case, New York origin, under name James Langston Hughes and is on the Security Index. (100-15139)

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Phoenix, Ariz. August 21, 1953.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Chief of Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am suggesting that you investigate one

E. MERRILL ROOT, Professor of English,
Earlham College, Richmond, Ind.

On August 24th last, The Freeman, 240 Madison Ave., New York 16, N. Y. contained a book review article written by this E. Merrill Root praising the negro poet, Langston Hughes and called him "One of God's born artists."

As you know this Langston Hughes is the author of blasphemous poems, such as copy of "Goodbye Christ" attached hereto. I have heard he was a member of the Communist Party. Anyone who would sing the praises of a known traitor shows exactly where his own feelings lie. It is strange that The Freeman would publish an eulogy on a traitor, and perhaps it would be well to investigate that magazine as well as Mr. Root.

Trusting I am not out of line in giving you the above information, I am

Yours truly,

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Por [redacted] Phoenix Ariz.

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El Comunismo es una doctrina inventada por el Diablo, no hay nada bueno en ello. Bajo ese horrible sistema una persona no es nada mas que esclavo. dominado y mantenido por su dueño. No es permitido aun pensar por si mismo No es dueño de nada ni de su camisa. No hay esperanza ninguna, solo desesperacion bajo el Comunismo, y condenación eterna despues de la muerte: pues es incredulidad en Dios.

Lo siguiente es la definición oficial archivada en Washington, D. C.:

"Una organización abogando (1) Odio en contra Dios y de toda religión (2) Destruccion de propiedad privada y de la herencia. (3) Igualdad absoluta social y racial (4) Propaganda revolucionaria por el Partido Internacional Comunistico, llevando a cabo actividades Comunistas en todos los paises para causar huelgas, tumultos, matanza y guerra civil: (5) Destrucción de toda forma de gobierno representativo, incluyendo derechos civiles tal como libertad de la prensa, libertad de hablar, libertad de asamblea y jucio por un jurado (6) El último y final objetivo es por medio de revolución mundial establecer una Dictadura del llamado proletariado en una unión de un mundo de las Republicas Sovieticas Socialisticas con su Capital en Moscow, Rusia."

Tal organizacion significa la muerte para toda libertad y seguridad. Bajo el Comunismo no hay felicidad ni esperanza, sino terror y miseria. Aprenda la verdad sobre aquel desorden, lo que se llama Comunismo, el cual es inspirado por el Diablo, y trabaje Ud. para guardar America libre de tal horror. Los Rusos que han escapado dicen que ellos prefieren la muerte antes que el Comunismo.

No olvide Ud. de orar continuamente. No hay arma mas poderosa que la oración. Pidale a Dios en nombre de su amado hijo, Jesucristo, que salve á la America de la mano cruel de los Comunistas. Ore y trabaje. Haga su parte para proteger nuestra seguridad y libertad. Informe á sus amigos de lo intentan hacer los Comunistas, para que no se engañen con esa organizacion endemoniada.

Recuerde Ud. de los niños los cuales son demasiado pequeños para dirigirse solos. Estos queridos chiquillos ponen su fe en nosotros que les salvemos del peligro. No debemos faltar á nuestro deber.

Todos los Comunistas deberian ser encarcelados o puestos en campos de concentración donde no podran hacer tanto daño. Una ley prohibiendo el Comunismo en Arizona debería ser puesta en vigor por nuestros legesladores y de esta manera se salvarian miles de vidas y se evitaría mucho sufrimiento.

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Phoenix, Ariz.
Diciembre 1952.

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WHAT DO YOU THINK? No. 203

By [redacted] Phoenix, Ariz.

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Communism is a doctrine invented by the Devil. There is no good in it. Under that horrible system the people are nothing but slaves, owned and kept by the Government just as an animal is kept by its owner. They are not even allowed to think for themselves. They own absolutely nothing, not even the shirt on their backs. No hope, only despair under Communism, and eternal damnation after death.

This is the official definition of Communism on file in Washington:

"A worldwide organization advocating (1) Hatred of God and all forms of religion. (2) Destruction of private property and inheritance (3) Absolute social and racial equality, promotion of class hatred; (4) Revolutionary propaganda through the Communist Internationale, stirring up Communist activities in all countries in order to cause strikes, riots, sabotage, bloodshed and civil war; (5) Destruction of all forms of representative government, including civil rights, such as free speech, freedom of the press, freedom of assembly and trial by jury; (6) The ultimate and final objective is by means of WORLD REVOLUTION to establish a Dictatorship of the so-called proletariat dictatorship into ONE WORLD UNION of the Soviet Socialistic Republics, with the Capitol in MOSCOW, RUSSIA."

Such an orginazation means death to all liberty and security. Under Communism there is no happiness, no hope, just terror and misery. Learn the truth about that hellinspired disorder and work to keep America free from its grasp. Russians who have escaped say they prefer death to Communism.

Every Communist is a potential spy for Russia and our enemy. He takes a solemn oath when he joins that organization to defend the Soviet Union against all enemies. Russia is coming in and when she does it will be Communists already here and waiting for the go-signal who will do the most harm because they know the locations of our power plants, munitions etc. See if you can persuade our spineless lobbyists to pass a law to outlaw Communism in Arizona and then round up all the Communists here and place them in jail or in concentration camps where they cannot do so much harm.

Do not forget to pray. "No weapon was ever made more powerful than prayer". Pray God in the name of his dear Son, Jesus Christ to save America from the cruel hand of the Communists. Pray and work. Every citizen of this country has a solemn obligation to do his part to protect security and liberty. Don't say there is nothing you can do about it. There are hundreds of things you can do. Speak out now or else forever hold your peace. Stalin will relieve you of all responsibility when he moves in, so act now! Think of the children who are too young to shift for themselves when Russia strikes. These precious little ones depend on you to protect them. You must not fail

December 1952. [redacted]

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GOODBYE CHRIST

By Langston Hughes.

Listen Christ!
You did all right in your day I reckon
But that day is gone now.
They ghosted you up a swell story,
Called it the Bible,
But it is dead now.
The popes and the preachers've
Made too much money from it.
They have sold you
To too many Kings, Generals, robbers, killers.
Even to the Tzar and the Cossacks,
Even to Rockefeller's church -
Even to the Saturday Evening Post.
You ain't no good no more!
They've pawned you
Till you're done wore out.
Goodbye Jesus Christ, Lord God Jehovah,
Beat it away from here!
Make way for a real guy
With no religion at all -
A real guy named Marx Communist Lenin
Peasant Stalin Worker ME!
I said ME!
Go ahead on now,
You are getting in the way
Of things now Lord.
And please take Saint Ghandi
With you when you go,
And Saint Pope Pius, and Amy Mcpherson,
And big ~~Saint~~ black Saint Becton,
Of the Concentrated Dimes.
And step on the gas, Christ! Move!
Don't be so slow about moving!
The world is mine from now on!
And nobody's gonna sell me
To a king or a general
Or a millionaire.
Goodbye Christ,
Good morning revolution!

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(Only a person of the very lowest mentality could compose such a ~~blasphe~~ blasphemous, senseless bit of doggerel. How can anyone admire Langston Hughes? [redacted] Christian American.)

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cc Mr. Rozamus

January 20, 1955

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[redacted] 62-10155 (b)(7)(C)

Hempstead, New York

Dear [redacted] (b)(7)(C)

Your letters dated January 11 and 14, 1955, together with the enclosures, have been received and the motives which prompted your communications are indeed appreciated.

In the event you receive additional information which you believe to be of interest to this Bureau, you may desire to communicate directly with the Special Agent in Charge of our New York Office located at 290 Broadway, New York 7, New York.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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SAC, NEW YORK:

Correspondent's letter dated January 11, 1955, enclosed a newspaper article entitled "Heart Beats to Drum Beats" by Meyer Levin which praises a record entitled "Rhythms of the World" made by Langston Hughes. Her letter states that anyone who praises Hughes' work is helping the Communist cause and merits watching.

Her letter also enclosed a copy of a letter dated January 11, 1955, addressed to "The Long Island Press," Jamaica, New York, stating that Levin should explain why he supports any Communist such as Hughes.

Correspondent's letter of January 14, 1955, refers to a previous letter and states she is not satisfied with an explanation she received from "The Long Island Press." She

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b)(7)(c) enclosed a letter dated January 12, 1955, addressed to her by [redacted] "The Long Island Press," pointing out that Hughes has expressed regret concerning past Communist activities and that now he is officially rated as a militant anti-Communist having been used by the State Department to counteract Communist propaganda.

(b)(7)(c) [redacted]

The files reflect that Langston Hughes may be identical with the subject of your closed security investigation entitled "James Langston Hughes, Security Matter - C," New York file 100-25776. (100-15139)

b)(7)(c) [redacted]

NOTE ON YELLOW:

Cordial acknowledgments have been afforded correspondent in past, particularly note having been made of her kind comments concerning the Bureau. Her letter of 1-14-55 states that inasmuch as she is alarmed about Communism she feels that these problems should be discussed with the Director, therefore, the Director will understand why she writes so often.

b)(7)(c) [redacted]

Security investigation of Hughes was closed in February, 1951. He had been identified with several Communist front organizations, New York City. In November, 1953, he testified in a public session before the McCarthy Committee in connection with the State Department's information program and information activities. In May, 1954 Bureau reports concerning him were furnished to the U. S. Information Agency at the request of that agency.

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Jan. 11, 1955

Director Edgar Hoover
Fedeeral Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover: -

Again I hope you won't think I am being overly concerned about something which may have relative little value to you - but I did feel that the enclosed column from a very decent New York paper - The Long Island Press - should maybe be brought to your attention.

I know you are well-aware of Langston Hughes as I am in my 'housewives league against Communism' - so maybe this Meyer Levin merits watching..... Indeed anybody who would recommend ANYTHING by Langston Hughes to 'the little ones' of America...even if it appears to be perfectly innocent....is helping the Communist cause along.

I certainly hope you don't put me in the 'crack pot' letterbox because of this letter - but it is because I am concerned about the future of my little boy that things like this disturb me!

Again, I thank God daily for the work of you and your bureau.

Sincerely -

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Hempstead, N.Y.

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Jan. 11, 1955

Point of View Column
Long Island Press
Jamaica, New York

Dear sir:

I have been watching the column of Meyer Levin next to your splendid editorial column with growing concern but last night was the pay-off!

He has the affrontery to suggest that we mothers should get a record called 'Rhythms of the World' in which the poet (?) Langston Hughes introduces various sounds, etc.

Because I believe this passed by unnoticed by many - their not knowing the calibre of this poet who is the hero of the Communist Party, I will quote two of his poems below and see how many mothers would like to in any way add to his financial status by purchasing the above-mentioned record:

Good Morning, Revolution:
You're the very best friend
I ever had.
We gonna' pal around together from
now on!'

and another - from the Workers' Song

'Put one more S in the U.S.A.
To make it Soviet
The U.S.A. when we take control
Will be U.S.S.A. then.'

I believe this Meyer Levin should explain to your readers WHY he supports anything by such a man as Communist Langston Hughes!

Yours very truly,

[redacted] (b)(7)(C)

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Hempstead, N. Y.

P.S. I think this merits publication - though other feel that it WON'T be published!

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Heart Bea[illegible]
To Drum Beats

By MEYER LEVIN

While the kids were watching Ding Dong School, I caught [illegible] few words about music from television's motherly teacher.

She hoped, she said, that parents would remember not to [illegible]e classical music on children, all at [illegible]nce. They [illegible]e to be [illegible] up to it. A fine leadupper is record alled Rhythms of [illegible]e World" which the [illegible], Langston Hughes [illegible]roduces various sounds and [illegible]s about them, beginning [illegible]ith the call of a bird, a flow [illegible] waves, and coming finally [illegible]rom the beat of the heart to [illegible]thoven's Fifth Symphony.

Meyer Levin

[illegible]he record is a poem of universality, showing the child how [illegible]ern and harmony hold together the movement of insect [illegible] and the movement of earth [illegible] sun. After the nature sounds, the elemental rhythms [illegible] wind, waves, thunder, there come the creature-sounds "that's the chirp of a cricket . . . that's a baby lion calling for its mother . . ." Then comes the human capture of rhythm.

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"YOUR RHYTHM on this [illegible]th began with the beat of [illegible] heart." The poet tells the children to feel their hearts, [illegible] feel the beat of the blood [illegible] their wrists. This is translated into a drum beat on a hollow log.

The poem mounts, to skip rope songs.

And on it goes, to a tap dancer, to kids drumming with sticks on tin cans, to teenagers playing music on the backs of chairs and on empty soda bottles to a wonderful combination [illegible] washboard and harmonica. [illegible]ythm comes natural to Americans," and we get a jazz orchestra.

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BUT NOT ONLY sounds are rhythmic, the poet reminds the children. All patterns have rhythm, from the petals of a flower to the grains of wheat on a stalk. "Notice the pattern on your father's necktie, and the pattern on the wall-paper that goes around your room." He tells the children how these patterns come from all over the world.

He matches the rhythm in poetry to natural sounds, reading a stanza from "The Chambered Nautilus" against the sweeping measure of waves swelling and dying and coming up again. He tells how music gave birth to poetry, "the first poems were songs."

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AND FROM THIS, he comes to the rhythm of great prose, with excerpts from the Gettysburg address.

The recapitulation takes the sound of a hen clucking, a kitten purring, to explain rhythm as an harmonious flow. The sense of harmony is brought out in the movement of an athlete, from the tips of his toes to the ends of his fingers. "You, your baseball, and the entire universe are brothers in rhythm."

The rhythmic tap and roll of machines is heard; pistons, egg-beaters, locomotives. Electronic vibrations, spaceships, lead to the rhythm of the planets in their rounds. "Rhythm is something we share with the sun and stars and all the people on this earth, our home." And as the heartbeat mounts to the Fifth Symphony, the child feels the source and meaning of great music.

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Pennsylvania Federation of Womens Clubs
Riverview Manor
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Dear [redacted] (b)(7)(C)

Your letter of August 31, 1948, has been received and I appreciate the interest which prompted you to write. I regret that I cannot be of service in connection with your request for information which may be in the files of this Bureau, as, in accordance with a long-standing policy, our files are confidential and available for official use only. I am sure you will understand the reason for this rule and that no inference will be drawn that we do, or do not, have information in our files because of my inability to be of assistance. It is suggested, however, that you may desire to contact the institutions or agencies which sponsor the individuals you mentioned for background information concerning them.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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(b)(7)(C) [redacted]
RIVERVIEW MANOR, HARRISBURG, PA.

Aug. 31, 1948.

Gentlemen:

Last year a group which we were leading engaged Langston Hughes to speak - not knowing his Communist activities. For fear we may have some speakers the know the background of some speakers the are getting this year, we'd like you to let us know if there is any criticism of following:

George Freedley - theatre critic + author
Holton Rothman - Painter
Emlen Etling - Art in Moving Pictures
Mark Ryder - "Abilene" tap dancing group
Henry C. Wolfe - lecturer on foreign policy
Ray Brock - author + foreign correspondent
Cheryl Crawford - Producer of "Brigadoon"
Mrs. Nellie Honeiger Fisher - former missionary
Robert Friars - Color [illegible]
Vera Dean Michaelis - lecture on foreign policy

With thanks for suggestions, I am

Very truly

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Sincerely yo

Director

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Chicago Ill.
Mar. 22. 1980.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Dept of Justice,
Washington 25 D.C.

Dear Sir; - A friend of mine sent this article to me f[illegible] [illegible] she knew that I would pass it on to you

It is the most terrible piece of the devil's work I have ever heard....

I know you will know what to do with it

You can write to me if you wish to ans[illegible] [illegible]er me here for I do as I please and they a[illegible] [illegible]ll know that here.....

I am with respect to you and confidence in your ability....

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Office Memorandum UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: July 16, 1947

FROM : L. B. Nichols

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SUBJECT:

(1)(7)(D) I am attaching hereto several documents which [redacted] of the Anti-Communist Society brought by my office which have to do with alleged Communism in Hollywood. He asked that the originals be returned, which I did after having photostats made.

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Attachment

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AMERICAN ANTI-COMMUNIST ASSN., INC
P.O.BOX 1942, HOLLYWOOD, CAL.

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July 8, 1947

Los Angeles City Board of Education
451 No. Hills Street
Los Angeles, California

Dear

With reference to Los Angeles City College and activities conducted on its Campus by the Communist organization known as "Peoples' Songs" and of which I have previously reported, it is apparent that elements of the Red "Folk-singers" are yet doing business as usual at this institution.

On Friday, June 20, 1947, a reception in honor of certain "visiting Soviet Scientists" was conducted under the auspices of the American-Russian Institute at the home of Mrs. Pauline Schindler 837 No. Kings Road, Los Angeles, Calif. This function was not generally advertised but was confined to members of the Institute. With regards to ARI, it has been officially designated as an "official organization of the Soviet Union."

On this occasion, Mr. Jules Blackman, regaled those present with three "Folk-Songs" similar to those currently being used by the Communist Party and Peoples Songs as "mobilizers" of mass participation in the Marxist-Leninist" position of the class struggle against capitalism. According to responsible sources, this same Jules Blackman is President of the "Folk Music Club" Fine Arts Building 110, Los Angeles City College. A 1947 Plymouth Sedan bearing the license number 6R5208, California, 1947 was seen to drive up to 837 No. Kings Road, on Friday, June 20 about 8:30 p.m. and its occupants enter the house. The license number was checked and found to be registered under "Julius Blackman, 11038 Hortense Street, North Hollywood.

Over a period of time, the Los Angeles Collegian, a paper regularly distributed on the campus of Los Angeles City College has carried news items reporting that various officials and members of Peoples Songs have appeared before the "Folk-Music Club" in Fine Arts Building 110, during school periods in the capacity of "instructors" in "Folk Singing". These reports have been investigated and found to be factual. On one occasion Mr. Mario Casetta, Executive Secretary of Peoples Songs was present on another, Mr. Leo [illegible]tner.

This Association has over a period of time made an on-the-ground investigation of Peoples Songs, its membership, and organisational connections and have determined that it is very positively a Communist inspired, directed and operated cultural org erected as "An organization of Lyricists, Composers & Entertainers," (Peoples World, 8/30/46), in New York City, New York, as "One of a Group of Progressive Cultural Organisations organised during the year in New York City, New York, which are Democratic, Anti-Fascist & Pro-Labor, (Peoples World, 9/7/46), the other organizations being Stage for Action, Contemporary Writers, New Writing Foundation, Peoples Cultural Committee, and the Audience Group."

Together with one of my associates and a reporter from the Hollywood Citizen-News, a series of meetings of Peoples Songs was attended covering a period of weeks. On Friday, June 20, a lengthy news article covering the results of this investigation was published in the Hollywood Citizen-News, an article that reported the Communistic nature of Peoples Songs, its program, and its connection with the Peoples Educational Center, 1717 No. Vine St. Hollywood. The nature of this latter organization has been very thoroughly exposed by various governmental agencies.

With regards to the above reported "New Writers Foundation" 316 East 61 St., New York, New York, its sponsors are given as "Howard Fast, Langston Hughes & Aaron Kramer, "(Peoples World, 9/7/45)" to assist Young Writers, cooperating with American Youth For Democracy, Council of Young Israel, and American Zionist Youth Committee, (Peoples World, 9/7/45), "reveals its anti-American nature. With regards to this "new writers foundation" the Peoples World article continues to report "is establishing a chain of 35 University Campus Workshops over the United States.

To further document this note on Peoples Songs; A current publication "Mainstream" Spring 1947 edition, in a chapter captioned, "towards the Peoples Theatre," reports that Peoples Songs, Stage For Action, and the Actors Laboratory are all Communist organizations." This publication may be obtained on most any news or magazine stand for 50¢. An examination of its masthead will reveal that it is a self-termed Marxist literary quarterly.

The Peoples World, is a Communist newspaper having been well established as such by competent authorities and it continually reports and consistently advocates Communism. When any person or organization is reported as belonging to, associated with, or collaborating with the Communist Party, and when these P.W. notes are quoted, there has never been any denial from the persons or organizations so reported that the P.W. has reported truthfully. In connection with this statement, the following list of names is quoted directly from the Peoples World, 8/27/46, and is a partial list of the membership of Peoples Songs:

Pete Seegar, Director.
K. B. Oliver.
Louis Quinn
Earl Robinson
Lee Hintner
Sir Lancelot
Charles Carpenter
Maria Turner
Manuel Sanguessa
Tex Ritter
William Wolfe
Lavenia Nash
Fred Warren
Irving Pichel
John Shafer
Stanley Yager
Sue Lowry
Sonny Vale
Morry Goodson
Mimi Shrevelove
Adele Francis
Slim Gaillard
Alvah Bessie.

P.W. 8/7/46

All of the above have records of Communistic collaboration in one form or another and all are recorded as being connected with one or more Communist fronts. Can these persons be termed Communists?

The Committee on Un-American Activities of the United States Congress has long been operating on a set plan for determination of the degree of Communism of persons and/or organizations. These eleven rules are conscientiously applied in every case. On March 26, 1947, J. Edgar Hoover, Federal Bureau of Intelligence,

appeared before the Committee on Un-American Activities and outlined the position of his bureau with regards to Communism. Included in his talk was another set of rules designed for the uniformed American citizen who desired to possess a standard by which he might judge the nature of persons or organizations with regards to Communism. Both of these authoritative slide rules are similar. That of Mr. Hoover is as follows:

Statement of J. Edgar Hoover, Federal Bureau of Investigation, before the Committee on Un-American Activities, House of Representatives, 2:45 p.m., March 26, 1947.

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"The Test of a Front Organization

I feel that this committee could rendera great service to the nation through its power of exposure in quickly spotlighting existing front organization and those which will be created in the future."

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There are easy tests to establish the real character of such organizations:

1. Does the group espouse the cause of Americanism of the cause of Soviet Russia?

2. Does the organization feature as speakers at its meetings known Communists, sympathizers, or fellow travellers?

3. Does the organization shift when the party line shifts?

4. Does the organization sponsor causes, campaign literature, petitions or other activities sponsored by the Party or other front organizations?

5. Is the organization used as a sounding board by or is it endorsed by Communist controlled Labor Unions?

6. Does its literature follow the Communist line or is it printed by the communist press?

7. Does the organization receive consistent favorable mention in Communist publications?

8. Does the organization present itself to be non-partisan yet engage in political activities and consistently advocate causes favored by the Communists?

9. Does the organization denounce American and British foreign policy while always lauding Soviet policy?

10. Does the organization utilize Communist 'double talk' by referring to Soviet dominated countries as democracies, complaining that the United States is imperialistic and constantly denouncing monopoly-capital?

11. Have outstanding leaders in public life openly renounced affiliation with the organization?

12. Does the organization, if espousing liberal progressive causes, attract well-known honest patriotic liberals or does it denounce well-known liberals?

13. Does the organization have a consistent record of supporting the American viewpoint over the years?

14. Does the organization consider matters not directly related to its avowed purposes and objectives?"

This association has made a thorough study and investigation of Peoples Songs on the basis of the above and have determined that the organization is a Commupist front. A like study and investigation conducted by yourself will produce similar results.

In addition to the above, a U.S. Supreme Court decision, March 18, 1947, Morton Friedman vs United States Civil Service Commission rended a decision that upheld the loyalty definition employed by the U.S. Civil Service Commission: "A Communist is one who has followed the communist party line through one or more changes." In other words, a person who has followed the Communist party-line, (the foreign policy of the Soviet Union as manifested in the domestic policy of the Communist party of the United States), as a person who belongs to Peoples Songs, is a Communist.

With regards to Peoples Songs, its forerunner or ancestor was The Musicians Congress. Characteristically its name shifted in accord with a shift in the Communist party line or through a change. Any person, who has belonged to both organizations may be legally termed a Communist. As for present membership in Peoples Songs, person

belonging may be rightly termed as Communist sympathizers. Either way, the organization is a threat to our American institutions and is subversive of the loyalty, morals, and education of American youth. As such, it has no place in our city schools. I hope that you will undertake a thorough investigation.

In conclusion may I state that this note is made in a spirit of cooperation and that our motive in supplying this information is inspired by a sense of duty as loyal citizens of our state and nation. Through your own channels it is hoped that Los Angeles City College will be cleansed of its subversion and vindicate its position as a 100 percent American institution.

Assuring you of our continued interest and support and with best regards to yourself and the School Board, I am,

Sincerely yours,

American Anti-Communist Ass'n., Inc.

"HATE CHRIST"

Is the Slogan of the Communists

One of the most [illegible] propagandists for the lovers of Stalin is Langston Hughes, a Negro poet. This Negro mo[illegible] in the circles of the [illegible] (?) whites. He has conferred with and addressed groups to whom Eleanor Ro[illegible] with his spiel, and with whom she has cooperated. He moves in the circles of mongrelizers and race mixers. H[illegible] been paid large fees for addressing many tax-supported and state-owned universities and colleges. The [illegible] lowing poem [illegible] one of his most popular among his Red followers:

This poem of hate is designed to persuade the simple Christian, whether he be black or white, to throw d[illegible] Christ, to [illegible] Christ, and embrace Marx, Lenin and Stalin.

LANGSTON HUGHES
Notorious Negro Stalin lover who wrote the revolutionary song "Goodbye Christ."

ATTENTION: [illegible] of this issue [illegible] rates

[illegible]	$ 1.00
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All [illegible] to Gerald L. K. Smith, Post Office Box [illegible], Harper Station, Detroit [illegible] Michigan.

GOODBYE CHRIST

Listen, Christ,
You did all right in your day, I reckon—
But that day's gone now.
They ghosted you up a swell story, too.
Called it the Bible—
But it's dead now.
The popes and the preachers've
Made too much money from it.
They've sold you to too many
Kings, generals, robbers, and killers—
Even to the Tsar and the Cossacks,
Even to Rockefeller's Church,
Even to the Saturday Evening Post.
You ain't no good no more.
They've pawned you
Till you've done worn out.
Goodbye,
Christ Jesus Lord God Jehovah,
Beat it on away from here now.
Make way for a new guy with no religion at all—
A real guy named
Marx Communist Lenin Peasant Stalin Worker ME!
I said, ME!
Go ahead on now,
You're getting in the way of things, Lord,
And please take Saint Ghandi with you when you go,
And Saint Pope Pius,
And Saint Aimee McPherson,
And big black Saint Becton
Of the Consecrated Dime.
And step on the gas, Christ!
Move!
Don't be so slow about movin'!
The world is mine from now on—
And nobody's gonna sell ME
To a king, or a general,
Or a millionaire.

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Goodbye Christ, good morning Revolution!

THE CROSS AND THE FLAG, a monthly magazine edited by Gerald L. K. Smith is the official organ for the crusade of Cr[illegible] the Nationalists. This dynamic magazine is devoted exclusively to the most fearless and deadly issues of the hour. Subscription rate: 1 year $2.00; 6 months, $1.00. Subscriptions should be addressed to Gerald L. K. Smith, Editor, Post Office Box [illegible], Harper Station, Detroit [illegible] Michigan.

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Negro Labor Victory Committee and People's Committee, New York City

The largest single gathering of Negroes in the City of New York for the past month was the Negro freedom rally held June 7th at Madison Square Garden. Langston Hughes, Negro author, wrote a dramatic spectacle, entitled "For this We Fight". Paul Robeson took part in this affair. Speakers included the Reverend Adam Clayton Powell, Representative Vito Marcantonio, Dr. Channing H. Tobias, Charles Collins, Executive Secretary of the Negro Labor Victory Committee and a member of the Communist Party, and the Reverend Thomas Harten, Brooklyn Baptist minister.

Over twenty thousand persons reportedly jammed Madison Square Garden and it was announced that several thousand persons were turned away, who listened to the proceedings on the outside through loud speaker systems. At this rally, several topics were discussed, including the report on the Anti-Poll Tax Bill, which passed the House of Representatives.

At the rally, said to have been under Communist domination, a resolution was passed advocating the immediate opening of a second front. Attention was also directed to the Mobile, Alabama, shipyard situation in which several thousand Negro workers were kept off the job because white workers did not want to work with them. The rally also went on record as urging the defeat or veto of the Smith-Connally Bill, and the rally also protested the killing of Negro Soldiers in the South, stating that this is reaching alarming proportions.

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September 14, 1953

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Phoenix, Arizona

Dear [redacted] (b)(7)(C)

Your letter postmarked September 2, 1953, and the enclosures have been received and your interest in communicating with me is appreciated.

In the event you obtain additional data which you believe to be of interest to this Bureau, you may desire to communicate directly with the Special Agent in Charge of our Phoenix Office located at 102 U. S. Court House Building, Phoenix, Arizona.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - 2 - Phoenix (with copies of incoming)
cc - 2 - Indianapolis (with copies of incoming)

Forwarded with correspondent's communication was a copy of a poem entitled "Goodbye Christ" by Langston Hughes, as well as a mimeographed copy of an article captioned "What Do You Think," dated December, 1952, prepared by the correspondent which denounces Communism. These enclosures are being retained in Bufiles.

Examination of Bufiles reflects correspondent has previously forwarded examples of her writings to the Bureau and has been furnished routine acknowledgments. These writings also generally attack Communism. (100-341108)

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Langston Hughes is subject of Security Matter - C case, New York origin, under name James Langston Hughes and is on the Security Index. (100-15139)

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Phoenix, Ariz. August 21, 1953.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Chief of Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am suggesting that you investigate one

E. MERRILL ROOT, Professor of English,
Earlham College, Richmond, Ind.

On August 24th last, The Freeman, 240 Madison Ave., New York 16, N. Y. contained a book review article written by this E. Merrill Root praising the negro poet, Langston Hughes and called him "One of God's born artists."

As you know this Langston Hughes is the author of blasphemous poems, such as copy of "Goodbye Christ" attached hereto. I have heard he was a member of the Communist Party. Anyone who would sing the praises of a known traitor shows exactly where his own feelings lie. It is strange that The Freeman would publish an eulogy on a traitor, and perhaps it would be well to investigate that magazine as well as Mr. Root.

Trusting I am not out of line in giving you the above information, I am

Yours truly,

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QUE PIENSA UD.? Num. 203

Por [redacted] Phoenix Ariz.

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El Comunismo es una doctrina inventada por el Diablo, no hay nada bueno en ello. Bajo ese horrible sistema una persona no es nada mas que esclavo. dominado y mantenido por su dueño. No es permitido aun pensar por si mismo No es dueño de nada ni de su camisa. No hay esperanza ninguna, solo desesperacion bajo el Comunismo, y condenación eterna despues de la muerte: pues es incredulidad en Dios.

Lo siguiente es la definición oficial archivada en Washington, D. C.:

"Una organización abogando (1) Odio en contra Dios y de toda religión (2) Destruccion de propiedad privada y de la herencia. (3) Igualdad abscluta social y racial (4) Propaganda revolucionaria por el Partido Internacional Comunistico, llevando a cabo actividades Comunistas en todos los paises para causar huelgas, tumultos, matanza y guerra civil: (5) Destrucción de toda forma de gobierno representativo, incluyendo derechos civiles tal como libertad de la prensa, libertad de hablar, libertad de asamblea y jucio por un jurado (6) El último y final objetivo es por medio de revolución mundial establecer una Dictadura del llamado proletariado en una unión de un mundo de las Republicas Sovieticas Socialisticas con su Capital en Moscow, Rusia."

Tal organizacion significa la muerte para toda libertad y seguridad. Bajo el Comunismo no hay felicidad ni esperanza, sino terror y miseria. Aprenda la verdad sobre aquel desorden, lo que se llama Comunismo, el cual es inspirado por el Diablo, y trabaje Ud. para guardar America libre de tal horror. Los Rusos que han escapado dicen que ellos prefieren la muerte antes que el Comunismo.

No olvide Ud. de orar continuamente. No hay arma mas poderosa que la oración. Pidale a Dios en nombre de su amado hijo, Jesucristo, que salve á la America de la mano cruel de los Comunistas. Ore y trabaje. Haga su parte para proteger nuestra seguridad y libertad. Informe á sus amigos de lo intentan hacer los Comunistas, para que no se engañen con esa organizacion endemoniada.

Recuerde Ud. de los niños los cuales son demasiado pequeños para dirigirse solos. Estos queridos chiquillos ponen su fe en nosotros que les salvemos del peligro. No debemos faltar á nuestro deber.

Todos los Comunistas deberian ser encarcelados o puestos en campos de concentración donde no podran hacer tanto daño. Una ley prohibiendo el Comunismo en Arizona deberia ser puesta en vigor por nuestros legesladores y de esta manera se salvarian miles de vidas y se evitaria mucho sufrimiento.

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Phoenix, Ariz.
Diciembre 1952.

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WHAT DO YOU THINK? No. 203

By [redacted] Phoenix, Ariz.

(b)(7)(c)

Communism is a doctrine invented by the Devil. There is no good in it. Under that horrible system the people are nothing but slaves, owned and kept by the Government just as an animal is kept by its owner. They are not even allowed to think for themselves. They own absolutely nothing, not even the shirt on their backs. No hope, only despair under Communism, and eternal damnation after death.

This is the official definition of Communism on file in Washington:

"A worldwide organization advocating (1) Hatred of God and all forms of religion. (2) Destruction of private property and inheritance. (3) Absolute social and racial equality, promotion of class hatred; (4) Revolutionary propaganda through the Communist Internationale, stirring up Communist activities in all countries in order to cause strikes, riots, sabotage, bloodshed and civil war: (5) Destruction of all forms of representative government, including civil rights, such as free speech, freedom of the press, freedom of assembly and trial by jury: (6) The ultimate and final objective is by means of WORLD REVOLUTION to establish a Dictatorship of the so-called proletariat dictatorship into ONE WORLD UNION of the Soviet Socialistic Republics, with the Capitol in MOSCOW, RUSSIA."

Such an orginazation means death to all liberty and security. Under Communism there is no happiness, no hope, just terror and misery. Learn the truth about that hellinspired disorder and work to keep America free from its grasp. Russians who have escaped say they prefer death to Communism.

Every Communist is a potential spy for Russia and our enemy. He takes a solemn oath when he joins that organization to defend the Soviet Union against all enemies. Russia is coming in and when she does it will be Communists already here and waiting for the go-signal who will do the most harm because they know the locations of our power plants, munitions etc. See if you can persuade our spineless legislators to pass a law to outlaw Communism in Arizona and then round up all the Communists here and place them in jail or in concentration camps where they cannot do so much harm.

Do not forget to pray. "No weapon was ever made more powerful than prayer". Pray God in the name of his dear Son, Jesus Christ to save America from the cruel hand of the Communists. Pray and work. Every citizen of this country has a solemn obligation to do his part to protect security and liberty. Don't say there is nothing you can do about it. There are hundreds of things you can do. Speak out now or else forever hold your peace. Stalin will relieve you of all responsibility when he moves in, so act now! Think of the children who are too young to shift for themselves when Russia strikes. These precious little ones depend on you to protect them. You must not fail

December 1952. [redacted]

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GOODBYE CHRIST

By Langston Hughes.

Listen Christ!
You did all right in your day I reckon
But that day is gone now.
They ghosted you up a swell story,
Called it the Bible,
But it is dead now.
The popes and the preachers've
Made too much money from it.
They have sold you
To too many Kings, Generals, robbers, killers.
Even to the Tzar and the Cossacks,
Even to Rockefeller's church -
Even to the Saturday Evening Post.
You ain't no good no more!
They've pawned you
Till you're done wore out.
Goodbye Jesus Christ, Lord God Jehovah,
Beat it away from here!
Make way for a real guy
With no religion at all -
A real guy named Marx Communist Lenin
Peasant Stalin Worker ME!
I said ME!
Go-ahead on now,
You are getting in the way
Of things now Lord.
And please take Saint Ghandi
With you when you go,
And Saint Pope Pius, and Amy Mcpherson,
And big ~~Saint~~ black Saint Becton,
Of the Concentrated Dimes.
And step on the gas, Christ! Move!
Don't be so slow about moving!
The world is mine from now on!
And nobody's gonna sell me
To a king or a general
Or a millionaire.
Goodbye Christ,
Good morning revolution!

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(Only a person of the very lowest mentality could compose such a ~~blasphe~~ blasphemous, senseless bit of doggerel. How can anyone admire Langston Hughes? [redacted] Christian American.)

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cc Mr. Rosamus

January 20, 1955

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Hempstead, New York

Dear [redacted] (b)(7)(c)

Your letters dated January 11 and 14, 1955, together with the enclosures, have been received and the motives which prompted your communications are indeed appreciated.

In the event you receive additional information which you believe to be of interest to this Bureau, you may desire to communicate directly with the Special Agent in Charge of our New York Office located at 290 Broadway, New York 7, New York.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

2 cc - New York

SAC, NEW YORK:

Correspondent's letter dated January 11, 1955, enclosed a newspaper article entitled "Heart Beats to Drum Beats" by Meyer Levin which praises a record entitled "Rhythms of the World" made by Langston Hughes. Her letter states that anyone who praises Hughes' work is helping the Communist cause and merits watching.

Her letter also enclosed a copy of a letter dated January 11, 1955, addressed to "The Long Island Press," Jamaica, New York, stating that Levin should explain why he supports any Communist such as Hughes.

Correspondent's letter of January 14, 1955, refers to a previous letter and states she is not satisfied with an explanation she received from "The Long Island Press." She

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b)(7)(c) enclosed a letter dated January 12, 1955, addressed to her by [redacted] "The Long Island Press," pointing out that Hughes has expressed regret concerning past Communist activities and that now he is officially rated as a militant anti-Communist having been used by the State Department to counteract Communist propaganda.

(b)(7)(c) [redacted]

The files reflect that Langston Hughes may be identical with the subject of your closed security investigation entitled "James Langston Hughes, Security Matter - C," New York file 100-25776. (100-15139)

b)(7)(c) [redacted]

NOTE ON YELLOW:

Cordial acknowledgments have been afforded correspondent in past, particularly note having been made of her kind comments concerning the Bureau. Her letter of 1-14-55 states that inasmuch as she is alarmed about Communism she feels that these problems should be discussed with the Director, therefore, the Director will understand why she writes so often.

b)(7)(c) [redacted]

Security investigation of Hughes was closed in February, 1951. He had been identified with several Communist front organizations, New York City. In November, 1953, he testified in a public session before the McCarthy Committee in connection with the State Department's information program and information activities. In May, 1954 Bureau reports concerning him were furnished to the U. S. Information Agency at the request of that agency.

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Jan. 11, 1955

Director Edgar Hoover
Fedeeral Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover: -

Again I hope you won't think I am being overly concerned about something which may have relative little value to you - but I did feel that the enclosed column from a very decent New York paper - The Long Island Press - should maybe be brought to your attention.

I know you are well-aware of Langston Hughes as I am in my 'housewives league against Communism' - so maybe this Meyer Levin merits watching..... Indeed anybody who would recommend ANYTHING by Langston Hughes to 'the little ones' of America...even if it appears to be perfectly innocent....is helping the Communist cause along.

I certainly hope you don't put me in the 'crack pot' letterbox because of this letter - but it is because I am concerned about the future of my little boy that things like this disturb me!

Again, I thank God daily for the work of you and your bureau.

Sincerely -

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Hempstead, N.Y.

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Jan. 11, 1955

Point of View Column
Long Island Press
Jamaica, New York

Dear sir:

I have been watching the column of Meyer Levin next to your splendid editorial column with growing concern but last night was the pay-off!

He has the affrontery to suggest that we mothers should get a record called 'Rhythms of the World' in which the poet (?) Langston Hughes introduces various sounds, etc.

Because I believe this passed by unnoticed by many - their not knowing the calibre of this poet who is the hero of the Communist Party, I will quote two of his poems below and see how many mothers would like to in any way add to his financial status by purchasing the above-mentioned record:

Good Morning, Revolution:
You're the very best friend
I ever had.
We gonna' pal around together from
now on!'

and another - from the Workers' Song

'Put one more S in the U.S.A.
To make it Soviet
The U.S.A. when we take control
Will be U.S.S.A. then.'

I believe this Meyer Levin should explain to your readers WHY he supports anything by such a man as Communist Langston Hughes!

Yours very truly,

[redacted] (b)(7)(C)

(b)(7)(C) [redacted]

Hempstead, N. Y.

P.S. I think this merits publication - though other feel that it WON'T be published!

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Heart Beats To Drum Beats

By MEYER LEVIN

While the kids were watching Ding Dong School, I caught a few words about music from television's motherly teacher.

She hoped, she said, that parents would remember not to give classical music on children, all at once. They have to be up to it. A fine lead-up record called "Rhythms of the World" which the poet, Langston Hughes produces various sounds and talks about them, beginning with the call of a bird, a flow of waves, and coming finally from the beat of the heart to Beethoven's Fifth Symphony.

Meyer Levin

The record is a poem of universality, showing the child how pattern and harmony hold together the movement of insect life and the movement of earth and sun. After the nature sounds, the elemental rhythms of wind, waves, thunder, there come the creature-sounds "that's the chirp of a cricket . . . that's a baby lion calling for its mother . . . " Then comes the human rapture of rhythm.

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"YOUR RHYTHM on this earth began with the beat of the heart." The poet tells the children to feel their hearts, to feel the beat of the blood in their wrists. This is translated into a drum beat on a hollow log.

The poem mounts, to skip rope songs.

And on it goes, to a tap dancer, to kids drumming with sticks on tin cans, to teenagers playing music on the backs of chairs and on empty soda bottles to a wonderful combination of washboard and harmonica. "Rhythm comes natural to Americans," and we get a jazz orchestra.

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BUT NOT ONLY sounds are rhythmic, the poet reminds the children. All patterns have rhythm, from the petals of a flower to the grains of wheat on a stalk. "Notice the pattern on your father's necktie, and the pattern on the wall-paper that goes around your room." He tells the children how these patterns come from all over the world.

He matches the rhythm in poetry to natural sounds, reading a stanza from "The Chambered Nautilus" against the sweeping measure of waves swelling and dying and coming up again. He tells how music gave birth to poetry, "the first poems were songs."

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AND FROM THIS, he comes to the rhythm of great prose, with excerpts from the Gettysburg address.

The recapitulation takes the sound of a hen clucking, a kitten purring, to explain rhythm as an harmonious flow. The sense of harmony is brought out in the movement of an athlete, from the tips of his toes to the ends of his fingers. "You, your baseball, and the entire universe are brothers in rhythm."

The rhythmic tap and roll of machines is heard; pistons, egg-beaters, locomotives. Electronic vibrations, spaceships, lead to the rhythm of the planets in their rounds. "Rhythm is something we share with the sun and stars and all the people on this earth, our home." And as the heartbeat mounts to the Fifth Symphony, the child feels the source and meaning of great music.

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Pennsylvania Federation of Womens Clubs
Riverview Manor
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Dear [redacted] (b)(7)(C)

Your letter of August 31, 1948, has been received and I appreciate the interest which prompted you to write. I regret that I cannot be of service in connection with your request for information which may be in the files of this Bureau, as, in accordance with a long-standing policy, our files are confidential and available for official use only. I am sure you will understand the reason for this rule and that no inference will be drawn that we do, or do not, have information in our files because of my inability to be of assistance. It is suggested, however, that you may desire to contact the institutions or agencies which sponsor the individuals you mentioned for background information concerning them.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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RIVERVIEW MANOR, HARRISBURG, PA.

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Aug. 31, 1948.

Gentlemen:

Last year a group which we were [illegible] engaged Langston Hughes to speak - Not kno[illegible] his Communist activities. In fear we may know the background of some speakers the are getting this year, We like you to let us know if there is any criticism of follow[illegible]

George Freedley - theatre critic + author
Hobson Pittman - Painter
Emlen Etling - Art in Moving Pictures
Mark Rider - "Ibikus" dancing group
Henry C. Wolfe - lecturer on foreign policy
Ray Brock - author + foreign correspondent
Cheryl Crawford - Producer of "Brigadoon"
Mrs. Kelly Honsinger Fisher - former missionary
Robert Frisco - Color
Vera Dean Michelles - lecturer on foreign policy

With thanks for suggestions, Lam

Very truly

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Chicago Ill.
Feb. 22. 1980.

Mr. Edgar Hoover,
Dept of Justice,
Washington 25 D.C.

Dear Sir,- A friend of mine sent this article to me f
which she knew that I would pass it on to you

It is the most terrible piece of the
devil's work I have ever heard....

I know you will know what to do with it

You can write to me if you wish to ans
wer me here for I do as I please and they a
ll know that here.....

I am with
respect to you and
confidence in your ability....

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"HATE CHRIST"

Is the Slogan of the Communists

One of the most notorious propaganda lists for the lovers of Stalin is Langston Hughes, a Negro poet. This Negro mo[illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] whites. He has conferred with and addressed groups to whom Eleanor Roo[illegible] has spoken and to whom she has cooperated. He moves in the circles of mongrelizers and race mixers. H[illegible] been paid large fees for addressing many tax-supported and state-owned universities and colleges. The [illegible] lowing poem is one of his most popular among his Red followers:

The lyrics of hate is designed to persuade the simple Christian, whether he be black or white, to throw d[illegible] Christ, to [illegible] Christ, and embrace Marx, Lenin and Stalin.

LANGSTON HUGHES
Notorious Negro Stalin lover who wrote the revolutionary song "Goodbye Christ."

ATTENTION: [illegible] of this issue [illegible] rates:

25 copies	$ 1.00
100 copies	2.00
1000 copies	15.00

Address your [illegible] to Gerald L. K. Smith, Post Office Box 8, Harper Station, Detroit 13, Michigan.

GOODBYE CHRIST

Listen, Christ,
You did all right in your day, I reckon—
But that day's gone now.
They ghosted you up a swell story, too.
Called it the Bible—
But it's dead now.
The popes and the preachers've
Made too much money from it.
They've sold you to too many
Kings, generals, robbers, and killers—
Even to the Tzar and the Cossacks,
Even to Rockefeller's Church,
Even to the Saturday Evening Post.
You ain't no good no more.
They've pawned you
Till you've done worn out
Goodbye,
Christ Jesus Lord God Jehovah,
Beat it on away from here now.
Make way for a new guy with no religion at all—
A real guy named
Marx Communist Lenin Peasant Stalin Worker ME—
I said, ME!
Go ahead on now,
You're getting in the way of things, Lord,
And please take Saint Ghandi with you when you go.
And Saint Pope Pius,
And Saint Aimee McPherson,
And big black Saint Becton
Of the Consecrated Dime.
And step on the gas, Christ!
Move!
Don't be so slow about movin'!
The world is mine from now on—
And nobody's gonna sell ME
To a king, or a general,
Or a millionaire.

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Goodbye Christ, good morning Revolution!

THE CROSS AND THE FLAG, a monthly magazine edited by Gerald L. K. Smith, is the official organ for the crusade of Co[illegible] the Nationals. This dynamic magazine is devoted exclusively to the most fearless and deadly issues of the hour. [illegible] subscription rate [illegible] $2.00 a month, $1.00. Subscriptions should be addressed to Gerald L. K. Smith, Editor, Post Office [illegible] Harper Station, Detroit 13, Michigan.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Mr. Tolson

DATE: July 18, 1947

FROM: L. B. Nichols

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SUBJECT:

(b)(7)(D) I am attaching hereto several documents which [redacted] of the Anti-Communist Society brought by my office which have to do with alleged Communism in Hollywood. He asked that the originals be returned, which I did after having photostats made.

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AMERICAN ANTI-COMMUNIST ASSN., INC
P.O.BOX 1942, HOLLYWOOD, CAL.

COPY

July 8, 1947

Los Angeles City Board of Education
451 No. Hills Street
Los Angeles, California

Dear

With reference to Los Angeles City College and activities conducted on its Campus by the Communist organization known as "Peoples' Songs" and of which I have previously reported, it is apparent that elements of the Red "Folk-singers" are yet doing business as usual at this institution.

On Friday, June 20, 1947, a reception in honor of certain "visiting Soviet Scientists" was conducted under the auspices of the American-Russian Institute at the home of Mrs. Pauline Schindler 837 No. Kings Road, Los Angeles, Calif. This function was not generally advertised but was confined to members of the Institute. With regards to ARI, it has been officially designated as an "official organization of the Soviet Union."

On this occasion, Mr. Jules Blackman, regaled those present with three "Folk-Songs" similar to those currently being used by the Communist Party and Peoples Songs as "mobilizers" of mass participation in the Marxist-Leninist" position of the class struggle against capitalism. According to responsible sources, this same Jules Blackman is President of the "Folk Music Club" Fine Arts Building 110, Los Angeles City College. A 1947 Plymouth Sedan bearing the license number 6R5208, California, 1947 was seen to drive up to 837 No. Kings Road, on Friday, June 20 about 8:30 p.m. and its occupants enter the house. The license number was checked and found to be registered under "Julius Blackman, 11038 Hortense Street, North Hollywood.

Over a period of time, the Los Angeles Collegian, a paper regularly distributed on the campus of Los Angeles City College has carried news items reporting that various officials and members of Peoples Songs have appeared before the "Folk-Music Club" in Fine Arts Building 110, during school periods in the capacity of "instructors" in "Folk Singing". These reports have been investigated and found to be factual. On one occasion Mr. Mario Caretta, Executive Secretary of Peoples Songs was present on another, Mr. Leo [illegible]tner.

This Association has over a period of time made an on-the-ground investigation of Peoples Songs, its membership, and organizational connections and have determined that it is very positively a Communist inspired, directed and operated cultural org erected as "An organization of Lyricists, Composers & Entertainers," (Peoples World, 8/30/46), in New York City, New York, as "One of a Group of Progressive Cultural Organizations organized during the year in New York City, New York, which are Democratic, Anti-Fascist & Pro-Labor, (Peoples World, 9/7/46), the other organizations being Stage for Action, Contemporary Writers, New Writing Foundation, Peoples Cultural Committee, and the Audience Group."

Together with one of my associates and a reporter from the Hollywood Citizen-News, a series of meetings of Peoples Songs was attended covering a period of weeks. On Friday, June 20, a lengthy news article covering the results of this investigation was published in the Hollywood Citizen-News, an article that reported the Communistic nature of Peoples Songs, its program, and its connection with the Peoples Educational Center, 1717 No. Vine St. Hollywood. The nature of this latter organization has been very thoroughly exposed by various governmental agencies.

With regards to the above reported "New Writers Foundation" 318 East 61 St., New York, New York, its sponsors are given as "Howard Fast, Langston Hughes & Aaron Kramer, "(Peoples World, 9/7/45)" to assist Young Writers, cooperating with American Youth For Democracy, Council of Young Israel, and American Zionist Youth Committee, (Peoples World, 9/7/45), "reveals its anti-American nature. With regards to this "new writers foundation" the Peoples World article continues to report "is establishing a chain of 35 University Campus Workshops over the United States.

To further document this note on Peoples Songs; A current publication "Mainstream" Spring 1947 edition, in a chapter captioned, "towards the Peoples Theatre," reports that Peoples Songs, Stage For Action, and the Actors Laboratory are all Communist organizations." This publication may be obtained on most any news or magazine stand for 50¢. An examination of its masthead will reveal that it is a self-termed Marxist literary quarterly.

The Peoples World, is a Communist newspaper having been well established as such by competent authorities and it continually reports and consistently advocates Communism. When any person or organization is reported as belonging to, associated with, or collaborating with the Communist Party, and when these P.W. notes are quoted, there has never been any denial from the persons or organizations so reported that the P.W. has reported truthfully. In connection with this statement, the following list of names is quoted directly from the Peoples World, 8/27/46, and is a partial list of the membership of Peoples Songs:

Pete Seegar, Director.
K. S. Oliver.
Louis Quinn
Earl Robinson
Lee Hintner
Sir Lancelot
Charles Carpenter
Maria Turner
Marriel Sanguessa
Tex Ritter
William Wolfe
Lavenia Nash
Fred Warren
Irving Pichel
John Shafer
Stanley Prager
Sue Lowry
Sonny Vale
Morry Goodson
Mimi Shrevelove
Adele Francis
Slim Gaillard
Alvah Bessie.

P.W. 8/7/46

All of the above have records of Communistic collaboration in one form or another and all are recorded as being connected with one or more Communist fronts. Can these persons be termed Communists?

The Committee on Un-American Activities of the United States Congress has long been operating on a set plan for determination of the degree of Communism of persons and/or organizations. These eleven rules are conscientiously applied in every case. On March 26, 1947, J. Edgar Hoover, Federal Bureau of Intelligence,

appeared before the Committee on Un-American Activities and outlined the position of his bureau with regards to Communism. Included in his talk was another set of rules designed for the uniformed American citizen who desired to possess a standard by which he might judge the nature of persons or organizations with regards to Communism. Both of these authoritative slide rules are similar. That of Mr. Hoover is as follows:

Statement of J. Edgar Hoover, Federal Bureau of Investigation, before the Committee on Un-American Activities, House of Representatives, 2:45 p.m., March 26, 1947.

Page 10:

"The Test of a Front Organization

I feel that this committee could rendera great service to the nation through its power of exposure in quickly spotlighting existing front organization and those which will be created in the future."

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There are easy tests to establish the real character of such organizations:

1. Does the group espouse the cause of Americanism of the cause of Soviet Russia?

2. Does the organization feature as speakers at its meetings known Communists, sympathizers, or fellow travellers?

3. Does the organization shift when the party line shifts?

4. Does the organization sponsor causes, campaign literature, petitions or other activities sponsored by the Party or other front organizations?

5. Is the organization used as a sounding board by or is it endorsed by Communist controlled Labor Unions?

6. Does its literature follow the Communist line or is it printed by the communist press?

7. Does the organization receive consistent favorable mention in Communist publications?

8. Does the organization present itself to be non-partisan yet engage in political activities and consistently advocate causes favored by the Communists?

9. Does the organization denounce American and British foreign policy while always lauding Soviet policy?

10. Does the organization utilize Communist 'double talk' by referring to Soviet dominated countries as democracies, complaining that the United States is imperialistic and constantly denouncing monopoly-capital?

11. Have outstanding leaders in public life openly renounced affiliation with the organization?

12. Does the organization, if espousing liberal progressive causes, attract well-known honest patriotic liberals or does it denounce well-known liberals?

13. Does the organization have a consistent record of supporting the American viewpoint over the years?

14. Does the organization consider matters not directly related to its avowed purposes and objectives?"

This association has made a thorough study and investigation of Peoples Songs on the basis of the above and have determined that the organization is a Communist front. A like study and investigation conducted by yourself will produce similar results.

In addition to the above, a U.S. Supreme Court decision, March 15, 1947, Morton Friedman vs United States Civil Service Commission rended a decision that upheld the loyalty definition employed by the U.S. Civil Service Commission: "A Communist is one who has followed the communist party line through one or more changes." In other words, a person who has followed the Communist party-line, (the foreign policy of the Soviet Union as manifested in the domestic policy of the Communist party of the United States), as a person who belongs to Peoples Songs, is a Communist.

With regards to Peoples Songs, its forerunner or ancestor was The Musicians Congress. Characteristically its name shifted in accord with a shift in the Communist party line or though a change. Any person, who has belonged to both organizations may be legally termed a Communist. As for present membership in Peoples Songs, person

belonging may be rightly termed as Communist sympathizers. Either way, the organization is a threat to our American institutions and is subversive of the loyalty, morals, and education of American youth. As such, it has no place in our city schools. I hope that you will undertake a thorough investigation.

In conclusion may I state that this note is made in the spirit of cooperation and that our motive in supplying this information is inspired by a sense of duty as loyal citizens of our state and nation. Through your own channels it is hoped that Los Angeles City College will be cleansed of its subversion and vindicate its position as a 100 percent American institution.

Assuring you of our continued interest and support and with best regards to yourself and the School Board, I am,

Sincerely yours,

American Anti-Communist Ass'n., Inc.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

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[redacted] a member of the Advisory Board [redacted] that among the

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contributors of this manuscript : the following persons:

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[illegible]
James Foster
[illegible]
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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (~~62-60629~~) DATE: 10/3/60

FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE (105-3388)

SUBJECT: [redacted] b(1) DC

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The HUGHES mentioned in referenced Washington Field airtel and letterhead memorandum dated August 31, 1960, is very possibly LANGSTON HUGHES. Baltimore files indicate that this LANGSTON HUGHES is not a Baltimore product and there is no information to indicate that HUGHES has ever actually resided in the Baltimore area. Baltimore files do reflect a report made by SA [redacted] b(7)(c) at New York dated October 4, 1944, New York file 100-25776, entitled LANGSTON HUGHES, IS-C. This report indicates that HUGHES apparently was at that time an admirer of the Soviet system and at one time an article appearing in the Daily Worker dated September 7, 1937, called LANGSTON HUGHES

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"the Negro poet." This New York report in substance indicates that HUGHES had been a member of certain organizations such as International Union of Revolutionary Writers in 1933, National Committee of the American League against War and Fascism in 1934, Emergency Peace Mobilization Committee in 1940, National Council of American Soviet Friendship in 1943 and a sponsor of the American Youth for Democracy in 1944. NEGRO

It is probable that New York or Washington field might have more extensive information on HUGHES, who is possibly the HUGHES mentioned in Washington Field airtel noted above.

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No investigation or action is being suggested for the New York Office by Baltimore, but this will be left to the discretion of the office of origin. No further action will be taken in this matter by Baltimore.

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Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT DETROIT

DETROIT FILE NO. 62-1126

REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
DETROIT, MICHIGAN	5/5/43	4/8,10,17,2[redacted] 23,28;5/1/43	[redacted] (b)(7)(c)

TITLE	CHARACTER OF CASE
[redacted] THE COMMITTEE OF 1,000,000	INTERNAL SECURITY - G CUSTODIAL DETENTION SEDITION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[redacted] (b)(7)(c)

On April 14, SMITH organized a group to picket LANGSTON HUGHES, an alleged colored Communist, who spoke at Wayne University. [redacted]

[redacted] (b)(7)(c)

See outgoing letter Detroit 5/15/43 pertinent of enclosures to Detroit

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent [redacted] (b)(7)(c) dated April 9, 1943 at Detroit, Michigan.

(62-43818) Letter from the Bureau to the Detroit Office dated April 5, 1943.

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DETAILS: At Detroit, Michigan:

[redacted]

On April 14, 1943, Informant advised the Detroit Office that SMITH had succeeded in organizing a group of his followers to picket one LANGSTON HUGHES, an alleged colored Communist who was to speak at the Wayne University. Informant stated that the picket line was actually formed outside the University and that MRS. BEATRICE KNOWLES and MRS. SMITH apparently were active in the picket line. During the course of the picketing conducted by the SMITH group, the SMITH group distributed copies of a poem alleged to have

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been written by HUGHES entitled "Goodbye Christ"

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Detroit - Michigan
April 21, 1943

[redacted]

Director, FBI

Re: [redacted] b(7)(c)
COMMITTED OF 1,000,000;
INTERNAL SECURITY - G; CUSTODIAL DETENTION;
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Dear Sir:

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Letter to the Director
April 21, 1943

Re: [redacted]
INTERNAL SECURITY - G; CUSTODIAL DETENTION;
SEDITION

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Informant stated that he had received information on April 14, 1943 to the effect that SMITH was organizing his followers with the idea in mind of picketing a speech to be made by LANGSTON HUGHES, an alleged colored Communist, who was to speak on that particular date at Wayne University. (It was ascertained through other sources that SMITH's followers actually picketed the Wayne University at the time HUGHES spoke, and at that time his followers passed out copies of a poem which HUGHES was supposed to have written entitled "Goodbye Christ".)

[redacted]

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: March 26, 1947

FROM : SAC, Indianapolis

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF STATE DEPARTMENT
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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As an indication of the manner in which [redacted] proposes to use and disseminate information obtained concerning any subversive or questionable activities on the part of individuals in question, an article was obtained from the South Bend, Indiana Tribune concerning Mr. LANGSTON HUGHES. The article in the newspaper was entitled, "Church Society Scores Speaker - Negro Poet Object of Criticism for Red Background." This article is as follows:

"LANGSTON HUGHES, eminent negro poet, who spoke Saturday evening, Jan. 25 in the Central High school auditorium under the auspices of a recently formed business organization, was the object of attention of the Holy Name society, of St. Augustine's church, 1501 West Washington Avenue, Monday evening. The society met in the church, all members being present but two, with JESSIE RICE, its president, presiding. The result of the meeting was a prepared statement unanimously adopted in which Mr. HUGHES' purported background was presented.

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"The statement read to the society members by Rev. Vincent C. Thilman, pastor of the church, says that 'the Holy Name society, of St. Augustine's church, is the first to uphold Mr. HUGHES' right to speak on the subject he selected' but the society 'feels that in justice to the people of South Bend, especially to the several hundred who heard him speak, his sponsor should have been more explicit in stating Mr. HUGHES' communist or red fascist background as well as his literary attainments.

"The statement also says that 'the society has only the highest regard and admiration for Mr. HUGHES as a leading poet' but 'when Mr. HUGHES attempts to pass himself off as an expert of the Soviet Union we feel that he is imposing on the credulity of his listeners.' Continuing the statement says:

'It is natural for Mr. HUGHES to be an admirer of the Soviet Union because he has consistently supported many communist controlled organizations in this country. He was, for instance, a member of the national council of the American Peace Mobilization, a communist controlled and directed group that did everything possible to sabotage America's defenses until the nazis invaded Soviet Russia.

'As late as last September he was still a sponsor of the notorious American Youth for Democracy, the successor to the Young Communist League. There are too many other communist or red fascist groups to which Mr. HUGHES has wittingly and unwittingly lent his support. The house committee on un-American Activities in its appendix No. 9 lists him as belonging to no less than 72 such un-American groups.

'In praising various aspects of life in Soviet Russia Mr. HUGHES neglected to mention the group of American Negroes who went to Moscow in the 1920's with a great deal of fanfare expecting to find Utopia. Their disillusionment was so bitter that they returned to America within a year or so. Some American Negroes, in fact, have never returned from Soviet Russia nor has anything been heard from them since. They just "disappeared." Perhaps they were "liquidated" or perhaps they are still in slavery in concentration camps somewhere in Siberia.'

"The statement points out that Mr. HUGHES seems to have forgotten to mention 'discrimination against Christians and Jews which is part of the official policy of the Soviet government nor the millions and millions of human wretches existing in the hell which is synonymous with slavery in Soviet concentration camps nor the complete absence of freedom of religion, freedom

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of assembly, freedom of speech, freedom from want and freedom from fear which brands the Soviet Union as the most brutal, the most tyrannical dictatorship in modern times.' In closing the statement says:

'We believe that Mr. HUGHES, despite his brilliant literary accomplishments, is doing his race a disservice when he supports anything savoring of communism because communism or red fascism is synonymous with treason, tyranny, class war, slavery and destruction of all that decent people hold decent. As such it is diametrically opposed to the highest type of Americanism that American negroes loyally support with all their hearts.

'The record would clearly indicate that the American negro recognizes the fact that the communists are seeking to use him in developing the class struggle. Communist officials lament the low percentage of negro party members.'"

(b)(7)(D) [redacted] advised Special Agent [redacted] (b)(7)(D) the above-quoted statement which was read by Pres. TRUMAN. He further indicated that any information coming to his attention which would be of value to this office would immediately be provided. He also advised that he has no additional information concerning the State Department at this time.

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December 6, 1965

[redacted] (b)(7)(C)

San Francisco, California

Dear [redacted] (b)(7)(C)

Your communication of November 30th has been received. Your interest in communicating with me is very much appreciated, and I want to thank you for bringing your observations to our attention.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

1 - San Francisco - Enclosure

NOTE: The numerous references on variations of correspondent's name appearing in Bufiles were not reviewed for the purpose of answering attached letter. [redacted] points out that Dr. Carlton Goodlett, allegedly deported from England because he belonged to so many communist fronts, is being used as an instructor of the San Francisco police officers. He also stated that the San Francisco Police Department will hold a Christmas party on 12-2-65 and feature the literary accomplishments of the Negro poet, Langston Hughes. (b)(7)(C)

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Your Excellency, Honorable Gentlemen.

During this Christmas season of 1965, I know that each of you will [illegible] in alarm over the anti Christ faction now beginning to appear in the San Francisco Police Department. The majority of the Officers of our fine Police Department, I am sure, are of the Christain Faiths and many of those are devout Catholics. Futhermore, I know that each of you are vitally interested in the preservation of our Republic, founded on the belief in God; and are highly concerned with the highest caliber of Law Enforcement. Therefore, I know that you will give attention to my view of the element of anti Christ, indeed atheistic element, appearing in San Francisco Police Department.

For a year now, many Citizens of San Francisco have been aware that [illegible] has been used, from time to time, as an instructor to San Francisco Police Officers during their training classes. In [illegible] 1965, Mr. Hughes, at the San Reporter Building, was announced as speaker, along with Stewart Murdock of the Communist People's World, on a forum discussing "thought control & news management". Additionally in the 1965, Mr. Hughes, was deported from England as a [illegible] with the allegation that he was the adherent to many Communist fronts. Of course, we know that Communism is a form of government that has atheism as a basis. Although it has been known, by those many Citizens of San Francisco that such a person, whose foundation is atheism, is unfit to instruct San Francisco Police Officers in their civic and moral duties, nothing has been said until now.

But, the recent announcement of the San Francisco Police Department of their Christmas party to be held at the Hall of Justice on Dec. 2nd prompts me to write to you. This announcement stated that the works of Mr. Langston Hughes would be featured at this party. Namely, "The Ballad of the Praying King". Among Mr. Hughes' other literary "accomplishments" is the article "The More 'S' in the U.S.A." (the second 'S' standing for Soviet, of course). Additionally, one of the most alarming aspects of using the works of Langston Hughes in the Police Christmas Party is his poem "Good bye Christ". The work of Mr. Langston Hughes appears on Pg. 293 of the Reeves Report on tax exempt Foundations, Resolution #2681 of the House of Representatives. In the event you are not familar with the anti Christ attitudes of Langston Hughes, I shall quote "Good bye Christ" for you in this letter:

Quote..... Good bye Christ by Langston Hughes

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Listen Christ,
You did alright in your day, I reckon...
But your day is gone now.
They ghosted you up with a swell story, too,
Called it a Bible....
But it's dead now, too,
The Popes and the preachers have made too much money from it...
So have Kings, generals, robbers and killers
Even to the Tsar and the Cossacks,
Even to the Rockefeller church,
Even to the Saturday Evening Post.

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You ain't no good no more.
They've pawned you, til you done wore out.
God bye Christ, Jesus, Lord, God Jehovah.
Beat it away from her now.
Move over and make room for a real guy,
Named Mark Communist, Lenin Peasant, Stalin Worker, Mr.
I said ME !!! Go ahead on now.
Your gettin in the way of things Lord.
And please take St. Ghandi with you when you go.
And St. Popelius. And St. Aimee Mc Pherson.
And his black St. Peter of the consecrated dime.
Don't step on the cats, Christ. Move !!!
Don't be so slow about Movin'
The World is mine from now on.
And nobody's gonna' call me....
No King, or a General or a Millionaire.....UNQUOTE

It is a disgrace that our fair City and our Courageous Police Department be used to advance the thinking of Mr. Langston Hughes. Many of my fellow of the opinion that tax money and public facilities assigned to the Police Department for our protection should not be used for partying. But, as it may, the use of the words of Mr. Langston Hughes, a person who [illegible] Christ at the birthday celebration of Christ is abominable.

I hope you agree with me and I thank you for your attention.

Yours truly

(b)(7)(c) [redacted]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: February 25, 1953

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: [redacted] (b)(7)(C)
GIRL SCOUTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

(b)(7)(D) 94-1-48292

At 11:28 a.m., 2-20-53, [redacted] of the Girl Scouts of the United States of America, 155 East 44th Street, New York City, (telephone [redacted] called Wick in my office. He said the Girl Scouts publishes "American Girl" for youngsters and the "Leader" for adults. In the "Leader" for February is carried a book review column recommending as timely and good reading the book "A Farewell For All" by Dorothy Canfield Fisher and the book "The First of Negroes" by James Langston Hughes.

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[redacted] stated he had now received letters criticizing the Girl Scouts for recommending books or publications written by Communists or Communist sympathizers. He asked how we might be of assistance since Dorothy Canfield Fisher is on the National Advisory Committee of the Girl Scouts and he believes that either Fisher or Hughes or both have been cited by Congressional Committees as holding membership in subversive front organizations.

CHECK OF BUREAU FILES: James Langston Hughes was the subject of a Security Matter - C investigation by the Bureau and closed by report dated 2-19-51, at New York where he resides. He is a Negro poet, lecturer and author, a sponsor of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship as of 7-6-49, was entertained by the Civil Rights Congress and identified with the National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions. (100-15139-57) Hughes was a sponsor of the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade and visited Russia in 1933. (100-124002-351) [redacted]

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RECOMMENDATIONS: 1. That Mr. Wick telephone [redacted] of Girl Scouts informing him of the confidential nature of FBI files and the fact we regret we can be of no assistance to him in furnishing information on Fisher or others he has in mind.

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cc - Mr. Belmont

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